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LABOR PARTY DRIVE STARTS IN EAST BAY

SEPTEMBER 1 CONFERENCE ENDORSED BY EIGHTEEN ORGANIZATIONS

Trade Union Basis
TEN UNIONS BACK CALL TO BUILD ALAMEDA LABOR PARTY

OAKLAND, Aug. 24.—On September 1 at Carpenters Hall in Oakland, the first united front Labor Party Conference in the East Bay will be held. The Conference will be composed of delegates from trade unions, Communist Party, fraternal organizations, Public Works, and Unemployed Workers, Epic Clubs, and other workers' organizations. Ten unions have endorsed the calling of this Alameda County Labor Party Conference, among them some of the most strategic and important unions in the East Bay. These unions are: Machinists No. 284, Utility Gas and Electric Workers No. 2, Sheet Metal Workers No. 276, Electrical Workers No. 595, Warehousemen No. 38-44, Oakland Branch, Carpenters No. 30, Steamfitters No. 342, Sign Painters No. 878, United Auto Workers No. 19081, and the Association of Certified Welders No. 6. Beside these, the County Council of the Public Works and Unemployed Unions, two Epic Clubs, one local of the P.W.U.C., several Labor Party groups and the Communist Party have endorsed the calling of the Conference.

* Preliminary Work.
Delegates from these organizations have been meeting in a Provisional Committee which is doing the preliminary work. The Conference (Continued on Page 2, Col. 3)

"ANTI-HEARST EXAMINER" BIG SUCCESS IN L.A.

DIRTY WILLIE GETS HIT IN AUG. 30 MASS MEETING

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 27.—So California will join the ranks of the boycotters of William Randolph Hearst, here next Friday night, Aug. 30, when the Friends of the Soviet Union officially launches the sweeping boycott at a gigantic Anti-Hearst Mass Meeting at the Mason Opera House. Tremendous support has been generated for this mass meeting throughout Southern California, with official endorsement by trade unions, Epic clubs, Utopian groups and others, through the Los Angeles Journal and through the Conference for Labor's Civil Rights.

* Anti-Hearst Examiner.

Interest has been stimulated through the publication of an "Anti-Hearst Examiner," issued by the Friends of the Soviet Union to publicize the boycott and the mass meeting. Rev. Robert Whitaker, noted local liberal, will lead in the exposure of Hearst as Public Enemy No. 1, and enemy to labor, civil rights, and morals of the nation. Other speakers include Claire Lee Purdy, of the Public Works and Unemployed Union, Theodore Baver, national organizer of the F. S. U.; Eugene I. Reed, Abundance League; Harry Jones, Utopian Society; representatives of the Marine Federation of the Pacific, Conference for Labor's Civil Rights, and the Los Angeles League Against Yellow Journalism. The Contemporary Theater will present an Anti-Hearst skit, and the chairman will be Dr. J. C. Coleman, executive secretary of the Southern California district of the F. S. U. Paul A. Richie, Epic Assemblyman from San Diego County, will be another of the feature speakers on the program.

Vigilantes Are Cowed By Mass Protest Storm

Investigation Committee Reports Sonoma Police Are Swaggering, Insolent Plug-Uglies Drunk With Power

SANTA ROSA, Calif., Aug. 26.—Under pressure of mass protests pouring in from every part of the State, vigilantes here have drawn into their shells.

Jack Green, one of the workers tarred and feathered by armed employers last Wednesday night has not only refused to leave the County but has sworn out a warrant with the District Attorney's office against those vigilantes whom he was able to recognize. Green was for four years president of the Santa Rosa Labor Council and six years president of the Painters' Union Local.

As a result of the reign of terror by which employers sought to prevent organization of the field workers and force them to accept work at starvation wages, pickers have deserted the locality and Sonoma County growers face loss of their crops unless 1500 laborers can be obtained. Through the same tactics they recently lost a good part of their apple crops.

* Work or Starve?
Employers are now working through authorities to obtain unemployed workers. The method is to throw down the "work or starve" ultimatum and threaten them with being cut off relief rolls if they refuse to accept field work at despicable wages.

Further evidence of the cooperation of public officials with the vigilante gangs is the identification of a U. S. Army field car which accompanied the raiders. This car, bearing the license "U. S. A. W-201071," was first seen at the Petaluma Police Station at 7 p. m. Later it was parked at the North Western Pacific railroad station, a mobilization point of the vigilantes. Most of the night it was parked in the lot adjacent to the empty warehouse where the torturing of kidnapped workers took place. Later it was prominent in the parade through the center of town at 4 a. m. when the tarred and feathered men were driven through the public streets.

* Protest Still Needed.
Workers here warn that although vigilantes are temporarily subdued, they still exist as a dangerous force. Protests should still be pressed upon Governor Merriam and Attorney General U. S. Webb at Sacramento and District Attorney Cowan of Santa Rosa demanding immediate arrest and prosecution of all known vigilantes.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—The delegation of twelve from the American League Against War and Fascism which visited Santa Rosa last Thursday to investigate (Continued on Page 2, Col. 7.)

Sonoma County Terror Echoed In S. F. Unions

THREATS SCRAWLED ON PHOTOS OF SANTA ROSA VICTIMS

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 24.—The vigilante terror in Santa Rosa part of the general drive to lower trade union rates of pay by terrorizing leaders of the organized unemployed, finds an echo in hoodlum terrorist acts in San Francisco unions, indirectly aided by the red-baiting attacks by Central Labor Council leaders. Thus Bill Rhodes and S. Ellis, members of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, have received threatening notes through the mails, scrawled on photographs of Santa Rosa tarred-and-feather victims as printed in local newspapers, saying: You are next! The story behind these fascist threats is as follows: At the union meeting nearly a month ago, Frank Baker, who had been elected to the Central Labor (Continued on Page 2, Col. 8.)

FIGHT AGAINST WPA WAGE GETS MASS SUPPORT

115 LOCALS OF JOBLESS UNIONS TO BOYCOTT SONOMA COUNTY

\$55 for 120 Hours

OREGON WORKERS MARCH DEMONSTRATE AGAINST ROOSEVELT PROGRAM

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—The State Federation of Unemployed and Allied Organizations (offices 988 Market St., Room 407) has issued a call to all the locals throughout the State to boycott the agricultural work in Sonoma County, scene of a month long reign of terror against organized workers. Since the apple crop was left to rot by striking pickers, the bankers have, through the various state and national relief and employment offices, sent out a call for pickers to be sent to Santa Rosa and other Sonoma County towns to harvest the hop, prune, and other crops.

The 115 locals of S.E.R.A. Unions, Public Works and Unemployed Unions and other groups throughout the state affiliated with the State Federation will effectively see to it that unemployed workers are not forced to scab in the Sonoma county fields.

* Mass Meeting.

A mass meeting of unemployed will be held at 68 Haight St., on Wednesday night, Aug. 28, at 8:00 p. m., to protest the stopping of S.E.R.A. relief and broaden the struggle for adequate relief to the unemployed. The meeting is under the auspices of the San Francisco P.W.U.C.

What the W.P.A. will really attempt to accomplish in cutting wages and living standards has been clearly shown on the 3 or 4 projects which have been put through the red-tape mill to the point where they are ready to start work. A worker whose S.E.R.A. budget had been \$85 a month for a very large family, was called in, along with a dozen or so other men, and offered a place on an unskilled labor project at \$55 a month for 120 hours. He protested that \$55 was not enough to (Continued on Page 3, Col. 3)

Tawdul Tales Are All Lies, Minister Says

Pastor Just Returned from Soviet Union Declares Progress There Is "Inspiring"

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—The stories of the alleged Tawdul, printed by Mr. Hearst in his San Francisco Examiner, are not only lies, but an insult to the intelligence of the American people. This was the statement of Dr. Fred W. Ingvaldstad, Methodist Pastor and prominent lecturer recently returned from the Soviet Union. In an interview with a Western Worker reporter, Ingvaldstad declared: "I travelled from the Siberian border to the North Sea, mingled freely with men and women in every branch of Soviet life, yet found not the slightest evidence to substantiate the malicious claims of Tawdul. "There are a couple of areas which have always been bad in the past, particularly the Ukraine and the center Volga sections. I made it my business to visit these regions. Three years ago, it is true, there was a famine in the Volga district. Famines have been common in this area for centuries. It is a drought area and suffered a particularly bad season at that time.

* Local Lectures.
Dr. Ingvaldstad is Pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. He is a graduate of the Chicago University, and a member of the Rotarian, Kiwanis and Lions Clubs. While in San Francisco he gave two lectures, one at the Democratic Council headquarters, 68 Haight St., and another Saturday evening at 121 Haight St., under the auspices of the Workers' Educational Forum.

BRITISH-ITALO CONFLICT OVER ETHIOPIA GROWS

LEAGUE OF NATIONS MEET SEPT. 3 TO PROVIDE MAIN CHALLENGE

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 27.—With the British fleet's movements to take up strategic position near the Suez Canal being countered by maneuvers of the Italian fleet, the tension between the two imperialistic powers over domination of Africa grows nearer to breaking point.

The forthcoming meeting of the League of Nations on September 3 has already been characterized by Mussolini as a futile gesture, as he intends defying any move toward invoking international authority against his will to conquer Ethiopia.

In the meanwhile, every precaution is being taken by the Ethiopians to defend themselves, and evacuation of the capital and other war measures have already resulted in panic and higher prices. Europe is more of an armed camp today than even on the eve of the last war, and Mussolini, taking no chances, has prepared an elaborate series of "war-games" on the Austrian frontier.

The United States Congress has passed a hypocritical measure of "neutrality," and behind these benevolent scenes much activity of a war nature is going on. Hearst continues his open attacks on Ethiopia in a vicious series of articles meant to stigmatize Ethiopians as hopeless barbarians about to be "civilized" by Mussolini. Unless the masses of people everywhere take matters into their own hands, in ever widening protest actions, war is likely to break, involving the leading nations of the world in the most destructive holocaust ever inflicted on the human race.

American Seaman Released By Nazis

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—Walter Berger, American seaman, has been released after being held in a Nazi concentration camp for four months without a hearing. Charged with having anti-Nazi literature in his possession, he was eventually acquitted because of lack of evidence. As in the case of Simpson, kidnapped from the S.S. Manhattan on June 28, the American consul refused to make any protest.

Seamen to Make New Agreement Demands

PARTIAL BALLOT RESULTS

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—Here are partial results of the coast-wise longshore vote on the question of handling scab cargo and of renewal of the Longshore Award.

Proposition No. 1 on the ballot asked if the membership was in favor of lifting the boycott on British Columbia cargo; Proposition No. 2, asked if the longshoremen were in favor of renewing the award.

San Francisco:	Prop. 1—Lift Boycott	Prop. 2—Renew Agreement
Longshoremen	YES.. 287 NO.. 2,427	YES.. 1,930 NO.. 780
Scalers	YES.. 0 NO.. 86	YES.. 81 NO.. 5
Bargemen	YES.. 2 NO.. 196	YES.. 164 NO.. 24
Warehousemen	YES.. 44 NO.. 395	YES.. 287 NO.. 103
San Pedro	YES.. 1,152 NO.. 327	YES.. 1,445 NO.. 53
Seattle	YES.. 939 NO.. 148	YES.. 974 NO.. 23
Portland	YES.. 364 NO.. 644	YES.. 931 NO.. 62
Tacoma	YES.. 431 NO.. 81	YES.. 496 NO.. 8

TOTAL YES.. 3,219 NO.. 4,304 YES.. 6,308 NO.. 1,058
Returns on the Maritime Federation "No Scab Cargo" ballot, exclusive of I.L.A. balloting, stands at 18,488 against 961.

I.L.A. VOTE FAVORS THE VANCOUVER STRIKERS DESPITE FAKERS

Overtime Main Issue

EMPLOYERS PUBLISH ADS AFTER ANTI-SCAB VOTE

RETURNS

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 27.—Nearly complete count of the coast-wise longshore ballot today showed the stevedores overwhelmingly in favor of renewing the award and had refused, by a majority of more than 1000 votes to lift the boycott on scab cargo from the British Columbia strike area.

Despite frantic efforts on the part of William J. Lewis, Paddy Morris, Peterson and other reactionary International Longshoremen's Association officials, the stevedores reaffirmed their solidarity with the striking Vancouver dock workers.

Meanwhile the International Seamen's Union had formulated the demands it will present to the shipowners on August 31, the date at which the Seamen's award comes up for renewal.

The Seamen are prepared to ask for substantial wage increases and for—above all—payment for all overtime work. Heretofore the shipowners, under the terms of the award, have consistently attempted to give "time off" for overtime instead of actual payment.

The demands of the Seamen, closely guarded, are now ready and will be presented at the meetings of the three I.S.U. unions here this week. The Sailors' Union of the Pacific, meeting here last night, voted to reconvene today and it is understood the Sailors' part of the demands will be up for discussion.

The shipowners, who had hoped to split the unity between longshoremen and other maritime workers by forcing the former through their reactionary officials, to lift the British Columbia scab cargo boycott early this week inserted huge advertisements in all capitalist newspapers which pretended to place the blame for any struggle that should develop (Continued on Page 3, Col. 6.)

S. F. SEAMEN BACK SCALERS; VANCOUVER STRIKE SOLID

Canadian Waterfront Strikers Appeal for Funds

VANCOUVER, B. C., Aug. 26.—Despite mass arrests, bloody terror and a threat of starvation, the strike of the heroic British Columbia dock workers remains solid in its third month.

The overwhelming vote of the Maritime Federation of the Pacific Coast, which by partial count, was nearly 20 to 1 against handling scab cargo from this area, has immensely strengthened the determination of the British Columbia strikers to remain out until their demands are met by the shipowners.

The waterfront here is under constant military guard as the shipowners continue in their attempts to load a few ships through the use of scab labor.

The crew of the S.S. Everett which recently walked off in sympathy with the strikers here, passed a sharply worded resolution demanding return passage to the United States, over land, and condemning the use of thugs and hoodlums as strike-breakers on the docks.

The Longshoremen and Water-Transport Workers Union of Canada which is conducting the strike, has issued another appeal for funds. The refusal of the authorities to give relief to the strikers has placed a further demand upon the rapidly dwindling union funds.

All donations should be sent to J. M. Gunn, 633 East Hastings street, Vancouver, B. C.

Marine Firemen and Sailors Refuse to Scab

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—Members of the Sailors' Union and the Marine Firemen here are cooperating with the striking ship scalars by refusing to do scalars work on Dollar Line ships.

The scalars meanwhile, at a general membership meeting, voted to table a request from the Regional Labor Board that the strike and lock-out be mediated. The action was taken because of contradictory statements made by the contractors to the effect they were "not attempting to form a company union," through the medium of the lock-out.

At the same time, members of the scalars' strike committee pointed out the contractors and the Labor Board, asked that a "committee of ten men selected from gangs regularly employed, be chosen to represent the union in the proposed mediation hearings."

The strikers see in this move an attempt to split the unity of the men.

The J. C. Derby company is the only contractor now abiding by the agreement between employers and the union. Picketers are being maintained at all yards and strikers are being fed at the strike kitchen which has been in operation more than a week.

Bargemen Hold Solid Though Cops Aid Scab Hauling

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—Armed police convoys this week continued to "escort" trucks of scab cargo between here and valley cities, with little or no effect upon the strike of bargemen workers. The bargemen are solidly behind their original demands of \$3 per day for an eight-hour day and room and board.

Farmers' produce still is piling up on the river levees and must be moved very soon or it will rot. Most of this stuff is unavailable to trucks, bargemen pointed out. Cargo being hauled by police protected trucks consists mostly of pipes and other durable materials. Michael Casev, head of the Teamsters' Union here is directly responsible for the fact that union teamsters are being forced to scab on the barge strikers.

The bargemen are more than ever confident they will win their strike which is now months old.

Credit to Italy Cut

LONDON, Aug. 26.—The serious fall of the Italian lira on foreign exchanges led one of the "Big Five" British banks to recall its Italian credits. Other banks are expected to follow suit.

CHARLES GRAY, KILLER OF RAY MORENCY, FREED

SELF-DEFENSE PLEA USED TO WHITEWASH MURDER OF I.L.A. STRIKER

STOCKTON, Calif., Aug. 26.—Charles Gray, the murderer of Ray Morency, young I.L.A. Warehouseman here, late last week was set free on a whitewashed plea of "self-defense."

Gray shot Morency without provocation while riding in a car on one of the main streets here April 29. The Warehousemen's Union had been on strike for several weeks, demanding better working conditions and higher wages.

The murderer is the son of the owner of one of the trucking firms against which the workers were striking. Morency was one of the most militant strikers and was an official of the union.

His funeral was held on May 1 and thousands of trade-unionists marched in the procession that day to pay tribute to their murdered brother. A guard of honor stood duty at the spot where he was killed.

The murderer's father subsequently was forced to leave town because of strong public sentiment against him and the killer. The trial was set months ahead in order to insure the success of the whitewash and secure freedom for Gray.

TENTATIVE LABOR PLATFORM TO BE DISCUSSED AT MASS CONFERENCE ON AUGUST 31

All Unions and Fraternal Bodies Asked
to Send Delegates to United Front
Conference for Labor Ticket

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 22.—The following tentative platform was drawn up at the first UNITED LABOR CONFERENCE to put a Labor Ticket on the ballot in the next municipal election. This conference was held on July 16th in the Building Trades Temple. It was composed of thirteen American Federation of Labor locals, twelve Democratic clubs, the Public Ownership Association, the Communist Party, four locals of the Public Works and Unemployed Union, the Conference for United Action Against the Criminal Syndicalism Law, the Young Communist League, the American Veterans Association, the International Labor Defense, the Utopian Society, the Epic Committee for the United Front, the American Youth Congress, and two independent unions.

THE PLATFORM
for the Employed and Unemployed
Workers.

1. One hundred per cent unionization of San Francisco and vigorous opposition to company unionism.
2. Union rates of pay on all municipal and relief work.
3. Seating of representatives from organizations of the unemployed on all relief distributing and administrative bodies.
4. Passage of the National Unemployment Insurance Bill known as "Lundeen Bill" (H.R. 2827) and the State Unemployment Insurance Bill known as "Pelletier Bill" (A.E. 791).
5. Raising the budgets of families on direct relief so that each will receive a minimum of \$10 per week for the head of the family and \$3 per week additional for each dependent pending the passage of the "Lundeen" or "Pelletier" bills.
6. The right of the employed and unemployed to organize strike and picket.
7. The passage by Congress of the Marcantonio Bonus Bill.
8. For the improvement and extension of adequate vocational training in the public schools.
9. The abolition of compulsory military training and the R. O. T. C.
10. The granting of free textbooks and supplies in the public schools and the abolition of excessive laboratory fees.
11. Immediate construction of more schools to alleviate overcrowded conditions.
12. Complete freedom of expression for teachers and students for the Welfare and Civil Rights of Everyone.
13. The repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism law, vagrancy laws and all other anti-working class laws, and oppressive and provocative municipal ordinances.
14. The elimination of all one man street cars.
15. A popular referendum on all questions and problems of general importance (such as taxes, bond issues, etc.).
16. The public ownership of all public utilities and services such as distribution of Hetch-Hetchy power, to be owned, controlled and operated without profit for the benefit of the whole people.
17. A unified, publicly owned transbay and peninsula transportation system.
18. The demand for the freedom of Tom Mooney and all other labor prisoners.
19. Vigilante terror and other fascist tendencies such as the use of firemen, police, national guard and federal troops, for strike-breaking activities, and the use of relief clients for strike-breaking.
20. Discrimination on account of race, color, creed or political affiliation in the distribution of relief employment and in the administration of the law.

Max Bedacht Speaks at Sept. 8th Picnic

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 26.—Max Bedacht, general secretary of the International Workers' Order, will be the leading speaker at the annual picnic of the Southern California District of the International Workers' Order on Sunday, Sept. 8, at Whittier, 3150 Honolulu ave., La Crescenta. Sports, games and entertainment by I.W.O. youth sections will feature the affair.

M'DONALD PLEADS MOONEY AID FROM CONGRESS

John MacDonald, who is aiding the Mooney Defense by recanting testimony that helped to send Tom Mooney and Warren Billings to jail in 1917, made a special trip from his home in Baltimore to Washington, to petition members of Congress to help him free Mooney and Billings.

Arch Labor Hater Loves Dirty Sheet

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—Latest issue of the "California Federationist," fink rag published by Vandeleur and Scharrenberg to peddle Hearst slaps, contains the following valentine from Mayor Rossi: San Francisco, July 20, 1935.

Dear Sir: I was pleased to find on my desk the first issue of the "California Federationist," dated July 10th. It looks good to me. It is my hearty wish that the paper may prove a great success and its influence may be widely felt for the betterment of conditions. With my continued good wishes, I am Sincerely, ANGELO J. ROSSI, Mayor.

OAKLAND LABOR PARTY MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 1

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The meeting will begin at 10:00 a. m. in the East Bay labor hall, 1400 Broadway, where the delegates will meet. The meeting will be held in the afternoon, 2:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m. in the same hall. The meeting will be held in the afternoon, 2:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m. in the same hall. The meeting will be held in the afternoon, 2:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m. in the same hall.

WHOLESALE FUR SHOPS GIVE UP AT STRIKE VOTE

S. F. UNION ENDS DILLY
DALLY NEGOTIATIONS;
AGREEMENT SIGNED

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—The wholesale fur shops of this city have been brought to a halt by the strike of the Fur Workers' International Union, Local 79, and have signed an agreement covering wages and working conditions. The union voted at a meeting on Aug. 21 to strike a second time if the agreement was not signed immediately, and one hour later the manufacturers conceded to the demands. The agreement was signed on Aug. 22, after three weeks of negotiations.

On July 25 all wholesale shops were closed by a strike, and during a nearly two weeks' struggle about half the retail shops were also closed. The bosses finally said they would give it up, signed an agreement recognizing the union as a collective bargaining agent, and a committee was set up to draw up the agreement on wages and working conditions.

At this point Edward Vandeleur, president of the Central Labor Council, stepped into things. He got himself placed on the conference board and struck out two of the demands; one for three per cent unemployment insurance to be paid by the bosses, and a second that the union might celebrate May Day as a holiday. Demands of the workers that they be paid for holidays, brought from Vandeleur, the proclamation that "workers are not entitled to pay for holidays, when they do not work."

He also remarked that the strike, which won the victory, was illegal.

The Los Angeles fur workers recently forced an agreement which gave, among other things, a two per cent unemployment insurance fund.

Mr. Levee, of Gassner's retail fur shop, which pays the lowest wages, has remarked that "Trade unions are un-American." The retail trade faces a strike if an agreement is not signed up very soon, as the Aug. 21 strike vote applied to them as well.

JACKSON THUGS IN NEW ATTACK ON UNION HALL

VIGILANTES ATTEMPT TO
RULE TOWN THROUGH
OPEN TERRORISM

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—James Workman, militant Jackson striker, was arrested here Friday afternoon, charged with battery on the strength of a Jackson warrant, held three hours for questioning and finally released on \$150 bail.

He will appear for hearing in Jackson on Wednesday, Aug. 28.

VIGILANTES ACTIVE.
JACKSON, Calif., Aug. 25.—Vigilantes in squads numbering as many as 75 armed hoodlums are reported "guarding" the entrance to the union hall of the striking miners here.

Last week, while 300 armed thugs stood out in the street, a vigilante entered the hall, attempted to intimidate three men who happened to be in at the time, came out and tore the union banner from across the front of the building and threw it down in the street. The sheriff and his deputies stood nearby, openly applauding all the while.

Leaders of the vigilantes include Steffen, a former constable, the Spinetti brothers, Tony Esbo, Frank Haskins, a local barber, and John Vicini. All carry guns and members of the gang constantly patrol highways leading to and from the city.

Most of the mine strikers who were on relief have been forced to take work at a labor camp on Bear River above here. They are paid \$35 per month.

Strikers report the mines are working at about 60 per cent normal production capacity but that they are only turning out about 20 per cent of the normal amount of gold. Scores of scabs hired by the mine operators are reported "high-grading" (stealing) the rich ore.

The union, Local 48 of the International Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, meets secretly and is practically underground, as are unions in Gallup, N. M., and other mine towns.

Recently when a worker signed a warrant for the arrest of five of the gangster-terrorists the big shot of the gang visited the man's wife, shoved a gun under her nose and told her that he would give her husband twenty-four hours to take his name off the warrant.

When the sheriff was questioned by a worker who had been threatened by one of the gun-packing deputies, the sheriff laughed and told the worker the deputy was "only half there" anyway and could not be held accountable for his actions. This is the type of men who are freely allowed to pack fire-arms through the streets of Jackson.

UTILITY FIRM BALLYHOO HIT BY EMPLOYEES

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Last year, and more are being laid off. It speaks of 10,000 workers, but the report to the Regional Labor Board this May showed only 8,701 on the payroll.

On August 1 five of the most efficient workers in the Emeryville Central Warehouse were laid off. The official who laid off two of them explained that he was firing those best fixed financially, which is a new criterion to determine your right to a job.

Unskilled day workers were transferred to a monthly pay basis with a \$10 per year pay cut and deprived of their vacations this year.

To fight "such grievances" as these, the Utility Gas and Electrical Employees of California was organized. The company refused to recognize it but after submission to a government arbitration board, the company was ordered to recognize and bargain collectively with the newly formed union.

The outlaying of the NRA voided this order, and the company refused to abide by it.

SHERIFF MAKES RAID ON CAMP FOR CHILDREN

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may be a possible basis for a future vigilante raid on the camp. However, La-Wo-Chi-Ca plans to carry through until its announced closing date, Monday, Sept. 2, following a week-end celebration of Labor Day.

Sylvia Wexler, a camp director, wrote the following account of the "raid":

"The bosses' tools are at work again. On Aug. 21, Camp La-Wo-Chi-Ca was 'honored' with a visit by the cream of Riverside County society, namely the sheriff, the health officer, and two 'gentlemen' to whom I was not introduced. The day before a county officer had come looking for an escaped convict, and for a minute, looking at him, we believed that he had been found.

Red-Covered Book.
"It happened during circle period. The sheriff and health officer went on a conducted tour of the camp. First we visited the hand-craft circle. Mr. Sheriff, being a very learned gentleman, pounced upon a copy of 'The Family Circle Magazine,' looked through it and then asked, did we use it as part of our educational. (This magazine advertises food products.)

"Further on he halted at a bed. Ha-ha—A red-covered book. Upon close examination it turned out to be 'Tales from Shakespeare,' and then he found the prize—a copy of the 'Pioneer.' We went further and much to his joy he found another copy of the 'Pioneer.' So he urged me to tell him truthfully whether or not the camp was run by the Pioneers. He assured me there was no law against it. I assured him that we had nothing to conceal, that we were a workers' children's camp. I am afraid he did not believe me, for just then he picked up a novel written by a Russian author.

Snooping Tactics.
"Then he became very much concerned with our morals. Did we segregate the sexes? How could we be sure that the girls went to bed? Did we realize our responsibility?

"Next came Mr. Health Officer. How could we all go to the toilet when we had only two? Did we not know that according to law, there had to be one toilet to every fifteen persons? Where did we get our water? Were the flies sterilized, and were the ants prophylactic?

"We answered him that our camp was just as sanitary as any other camp on the Prado Camp site, and that in any matter of law he would have to speak to the sheriff. Then we escorted our 'honorable guests' to the kitchen, and straight to the refrigerator went Mr. Health Officer. It so happens that one door sticks. Ha-ha—there lies a bomb or at least the Communist Manifesto! Much to his disgust he found only food. Had we known of their visit beforehand we might have tried to accommodate them.

"When we all gathered at the car, one of the 'unknowns' said in a tone of disgust: 'She says they are going home Saturday.' "Mr. Sheriff then asked, 'Well, have you seen all you wanted to see?'

"To which the health officer replied, 'I saw plenty!'

"After their departure one of the older boys came to us with hand extended, saying: 'Comrade, you handled them very well. What greater compliment for leaders than to win the approval of the children in our care!'

"It is very obvious that this 'surprise' visit was to be used as a scare against the children and all friends of our camp. The fact that over 400 children have spent two weeks or more under such a desirable working class atmosphere is not taken lightly by the sheriff and his gang."

ON THE LABOR DEFENSE FRONT

The Chico Branch has challenged the Sacramento Branch to get 2,000 signatures on the Herndon petition before Chico gets 600. The difference in signatures is based on population. We hope that all the branches in the District have not yet challenged or accepted challenges from other branches will follow suit.

TELEGRAMS ON SANTA ROSA

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Organizations and Unions Demand Stern
Action Against Raiders; Ministers
Accuse Sonoma Public Officials

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UNITED FRONT JEWISH
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LOS ANGELES, Aug. 21.—Plans are being carried forward by the Anti-Nazi Committee of Southern California, to continue its work following the gigantic Anti-Nazi mass meeting to be held Wednesday, Aug. 28, at the Philharmonic Auditorium.

The committee, a United Front of Jewish organizations to protect Nazi brutality in Germany and Fascist symptoms in the United States, plans to coordinate the work of all participating organizations. Headquarters are at 420 North Soto street.

Principal speakers at the mass meeting will be Manchester Boddy, publisher of the Los Angeles Illustrated News, Dr. Sundring, anti-Nazi from Vienna, and S. Rosenfeld will also speak. Chairman will be Rev. Clinton J. Taft from the American Civil Liberties Union.

BOYCOTT HEARST ADVERTISERS!

have you seen all you wanted to see? "To which the health officer replied, 'I saw plenty!'

"After their departure one of the older boys came to us with hand extended, saying: 'Comrade, you handled them very well. What greater compliment for leaders than to win the approval of the children in our care!'

"It is very obvious that this 'surprise' visit was to be used as a scare against the children and all friends of our camp. The fact that over 400 children have spent two weeks or more under such a desirable working class atmosphere is not taken lightly by the sheriff and his gang."

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SONOMA ATTACK HAS ECHO IN TRADE UNIONS (Continued From Page 1) Council, reported that the C.I.O. leaders had refused to seat him because he was considered to be a "red." Immediately a storm broke and the E.C. decision to read him his election and send him back to the C.I.O. with a demand for recognition and seating was enthusiastically applauded. S. Ellis and Bill Rhodes actively supported this move.

Baker was then viciously attacked and while held from behind was struck with a chair by Harry Becker, ex-C.I.O. member who is notorious for his hoodlum conduct and for his support of the "big-shot" red-baiters.

A few days later Becker saw Ellis on the street and knocked him out with a blow on the back of the head. Ellis swore out a warrant and had Becker arrested. Becker was given a one-month suspended sentence.

During the last union meeting, Becker threatened Bill Rhodes with similar treatment.

Now these "mysteries" and anonymous threats of tar-and-feather treatment arrive through the mails. Complaints have been filed with the District Attorney, demanding investigation and prosecution.

Union members are preparing to oust hoodlums such as Becker who disrupt union meetings and disgrace the membership.

WAREHOUSEMEN COMBAT SCABS, POLICE, PRESS LOCK-OUT STRUGGLE IN THIRD WEEK

OAKLAND, August 26.—The Warehousemen, members of I.W.A. Local No. 38-44, who were locked out of the Santa Cruz Cannery on Aug. 8, are still picketing that plant. They are negotiating with radio station KROW for a broadcast to refute the lies of Mr. Huddleston, owner of the plant, which were printed in the "Tribune."

The bosses' propaganda agencies have been making a good deal over supposed "violence" by picketers in dealing with scabs, which stories the Union vigorously denies.

At the same time the Warehousemen are protesting the attacks of the Oakland police and the arming of the scabs, who are about with pistols, gas cans, and blackjacks. The police have driven the pickets off the street and are approaching the cannery, and made the idiotic statement that the street is private property. This in spite of the fact that it has been open to the public for four years.

Huddleston's record as a grafter and union-buster is rather notorious. In 1934 he overpacked Tuscan peaches to the amount of 35,000 cases—and no record of their disposal can be found. He pays as low as 15 cents per hour, and children of 13 to 16 years who work in his cannery get about \$3.50 a week. Men recently were working in his warehouse from 90 to 100 hours per week.

On Aug. 4 the Union contract for hours and wages was presented to Mr. Huddleston, with 10 days notice. He locked out the men just four days later.

BOYCOTT HEARST NEWSPAPERS!

EAST OF THE Rockies

Union Hall Wrecked Wage Reduction \$20,000 a Year Garment Strike Boycott Called Tiff Miners Unite

CHICAGO—Gangsters employed by the Merritt Casket Company where 250 men are now striking attacked the union headquarters at 2147 West Chicago avenue broke the windows with pistol butts, and slugged one of the union organizers.

Police, backed by an injunction issued by Judge Davis against the strikers, arrested some pickets and behind police protection scabs are led into the plant. The workers, who have been on strike for four weeks, are more determined than ever to win recognition of their union and increased wages with a minimum of 50 cents an hour.

FALL RIVER—The Fall River Cotton Manufacturers Association has called a conference to attempt to put across a wage reduction of 10 to 20 per cent, effective September 3. They have invited representatives of unions affiliated to the American Federation of Textile Operatives to the conference but the United Textile Workers of America, an A. F. of L. union, have not been called in.

NEWARK—The \$20,000 a year president of the American Federation of Musicians, Joseph Weber has been sued by Local 248, Paterson, N. J., to restrain his revocation of its charter and organizing a competing local in the territory. The charter was revoked because the local reduced the salary of Alfred Troyano, recording secretary from \$2,000 to \$250 a year. This was done because only 70 of its 500 members are employed regularly and its constitution obliges it to live within its income.

WELCH is a vice-president of the American Federation of Labor and was recently named to a committee of three set up to "co-operate" with the Dewey grand jury investigation of labor racketeering in New York City.

LANCASTER, PA.—The local Central Labor Union has called for a national boycott of products of the Armstrong Cork Products Company, whose plant employs 1,800 workers. The Armstrong Company, which is controlled by Mellon and DuPont interests, fired Harry Wagner and Harry Krans for union activities. The firm employs a blacklist, refusing to hire anyone who participated in the last general textile strike.

CINCINNATI—Five WPA projects were held up here when union painters walked out demanding the prevailing union rate of pay. E. Baker, business agent of the Bricklayers Union, reported union members were refusing calls to work on WPA jobs. The administrator of the projects has announced all strikers would be denied relief in an effort to break the strike.

OLD MINES, MO.—Fifteen hundred out of 2,600 striking tiff miners met here and decided to organize a union affiliated with the A. F. of L. The miners, who struck because they could not live on the \$2.50 a ton they got for mining tiff, a substance used in white paint, refused to allow their strike to be sold out by the Barstie (tiff) Association, a company union. Lead miners in the vicinity have watched the strike with a great interest, and are preparing to strike.

A new pamphlet, "Hearst—Labor's Enemy No. 1," by James Casey, 3c. Read it, sell it to your neighbors, and help build the boycott.

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3 MILITANTS ARRESTED IN BELVEDERE EVICTION FIGHT

Attack on Hendrick's Home Follows the Recent "Jail-Treatment" Protest

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 24.—Within ten days of a protest by a committee against the discrimination by Lincoln Heights jail officials against the workers framed up on the June 1, 1934, charity riot, police officers retaliated here last night with evictions of the wife and sister of Harold Hendricks, one of the railroad relief workers.

When aroused neighbors placed the furniture back in the home at 35014 So. Ferris ave., Belvedere Gardens, police arrested Jean Hendricks, wife of Harold Hendricks, Mrs. Josephine Goldbaum, a neighbor, and Clyde Champion, unemployed leader.

Mrs. Hendricks was charged with unlawful assemblage, taking possession of property unlawfully, resisting an officer and interfering with an officer in the performance of his duty; Mrs. Goldbaum was charged with the same counts.

Champion was first arrested on a vagrancy charge, which was changed today when all three were arraigned in Montebello Justice Court, to unlawful assemblage and disturbing the peace, and an old warrant which officer alleged had been pending against him for some time, but which Champion denied all knowledge of. Bail on the two women was set at \$500 each, and at \$250 on Champion. Trial date was set for Aug. 30 in Montebello Justice Court.

Mrs. Nell Dutton, sister of Hendricks, was also evicted although she is sick in bed. She also has two daughters, one 15 months old and the other 4 years old. Mrs. Hendricks has a 6-year old son, Lynn.

The Hendricks were placed back in the house by a committee from the Public Works and Unemployment Union, which has left a single committee to look after the two families.

Mrs. Hendricks has signed several affidavits showing she has been frequently molested by persons unknown to her at early morning hours. These persons were attempting to enter her home through windows or with keys. These incidents always coincided with trouble with the County Welfare Department concerning relief checks.

Mrs. Dutton was likewise molested and had frequent trouble with the County Relief officials. On one occasion five police officers tried to get in the house with keys and through the windows, finally entering the front door with a key and remaining for some time. When they left they took a note belonging to Mrs. Hendricks, left by the landlord, Lynn Hendricks, her 6-year old son, was home alone at this time.

The International Labor Defense is taking charge of the case.

One-man cars mean one man starves! Boycott one-man cars and protest the injunction granted to the Market Street Railway by Judge Louderback.

SAN DIEGO FEDERATED TRADES COUNCIL

Weekly Meeting, Wednesday, August 21

Vote of Thanks to Arrested Youth—I.L.A. Waits on San Francisco Local—Camp Kearney Conditions Rotten

SAN DIEGO, Aug. 21.—In an attempt to "Red exposure," John Donnelly, reactionary delegate from the Musicians' local, read on the floor of the Council an article in the Western Worker concerning the recent arrest of 8 members of the American Youth Congress for distributing leaflets, signed by the Federated Trades, in the Exposition grounds.

Donnelly attempted to use the article as "proof" that those arrested were Communists, and accepting their assistance was a bad reflection on organized labor. However, after secretary Rogers and President Steinmetz pointed out the valuable assistance these young workers are to the labor movement, a motion was passed, unanimously, to extend an official vote of thanks to them.

The resolution previously authorized against the Tydings-McCormick "anti-sedition" bill, was read to the delegates and approved. This resolution, sharply worded, attacks the bill as an attempt to prevent any criticism of the action of the government in using troops in any strike. The resolution further objects to the bill for allowing "Government agents to enter and search all private homes for 'suspicious' literature." Copies were ordered sent to William Green, President Roosevelt, Senator Johnson and Congressman Burnham.

A culinary delegate reported

FIGHT AGAINST PWA WAGE GETS MASS SUPPORT

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keep his family and refused the job. A separation slip was promptly issued, and he has been ordered out of direct relief.

* Roosevelt's "Orders." THE WESTERN WORKER knows of at least two other workers who received exactly similar treatment.

A handful of these W.P.A. projects are supposed to begin operations in San Francisco soon after Labor Day. Meanwhile Roosevelt is "issuing orders" that all projects must be ready to go by December 15. What the membership should do in the three months between now and then is not made clear.

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 26.—A parade and demonstration here last Saturday, the greatest display of working class solidarity ever seen in this state, voiced a tremendous protest against Roosevelt's W.P.A. program. The affair was endorsed by the Oregon State Federation of Labor, and was jointly arranged by the Portland Central Labor Council, the Ore. Truck Owners' Association, the Veterans' Union, the Central Federation Against Unemployment and the National Economic Welfare Federation.

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—The final session of the New York State Federation of Labor, on Aug. 22, passed a resolution calling for strikes against Roosevelt's "security wage rates" on W.P.A., and demanded that prevailing union rates be paid on all relief projects.

Sonoma Raises Daily Quota in Spice of Terror

SANTA ROSA, Calif., Aug. 26.—The Communist Party can't be downed, even by drunken hoodlums using tar and feather methods. Sonoma Section has the honor of being the first in the state to raise its quota in the Daily Worker drive for a \$60,000 sustaining fund. It has already given \$10, and promises to raise more in spite of the vicious vigilante terror in this rich agricultural area of California.

Other sections are challenged to try to equal this record.

L. A. Hearst Sheet Will Be Picketed!

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 26.—For the first time in the history of the city, William Randolph Hearst's Los Angeles Examiner will be picketed by trade unionists, Utopians, Epics, Communists, and other liberal and radical forces, at high noon on Tuesday, September 3.

The picketing is being organized under the banner of the Conference for Labor's Civil Rights, which now has delegates representing eighty organizations in and around Los Angeles.

Hundreds of militant pickets, bearing banners attacking Hearst as the enemy of labor and a Fascist menace, will assemble at noon on September 3 and picket the Examiner building at Eleventh street and Broadway until nightfall.

These are the Hearst propaganda agencies which all West Coast workers, liberals and enemies of reaction should boycott:

— NEWSPAPERS —

SAN FRANCISCO EXAMINER,
SAN FRANCISCO CALL-BULLETIN,
LOS ANGELES EXAMINER,
LOS ANGELES HERALD and EXPRESS,
OAKLAND POST-ENQUIRER,
SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER.

— MOVIES —

HEARST METROPHONE NEWS (newsreel)
WARNER BROTHERS FILMS,
COSMOPOLITAN PRODUCTIONS (films).

— MAGAZINES —

HEARST'S INTERNATIONAL combined with COSMOPOLITAN,
HARPER'S BAZAAR,
MOTOR and MOTOR BOATING,
PICTORIAL REVIEW,
AMERICAN DRUGGIST
GOOD HOUSEKEEPING

L. A. HOSPITAL HEAD POSTS UP HEARST BLURB

THREATENS TO FIRE ANY WORKER WHO OBJECTS

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 21.—Responsibility for the appearance of a Hearst newspaper's propaganda blurb on the employee's bulletin board at the Los Angeles County General Hospital last week today was pinned on Superintendent Martin by assistant Superintendent Olsen.

When a garish, red-white-and-blue reprint of a full-page article by William Randolph Hearst, reprinted from recent Hearst newspapers, was plastered on the board, violent objections arose from the hospital personnel. The article denounced those who have attacked Hearst papers.

Hospital employees defaced the placard and attempted to tear it down, according to reports, and a "Colonel" Lynch, foreman at the hospital, threatened to "fire the first man who touches that sign."

Superintendent Martin's action in posting the blurb was defended by Olsen, by stating that recent activities of "Communists" in distributing literature in employees' lockers had caused Martin to assist to the posting.

Fight for Unity of employed and unemployed organizations.

DOWNTOWN L. A. SEES YOUTH IN DEMONSTRATION

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH
DAY PLANS MADE

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Aug. 23.—Calling for determined resistance of American Workers Against War and for protest against Italy's aggression against Ethiopia, the Downtown sub-section of the Young Communist League staged a demonstration at 5 p. m. here today on the corner of Seventh and Broadway.

Hundreds of leaflets, "War in Africa, What For?" were showered down upon homeward bound pedestrians and were eagerly picked up and read. A YCL member spoke on the dangers of imperialism of the Bank of America.

The leaflets called for support of Ethiopia against Italian aggression and called upon organizations to send delegates to the Friends of Ethiopia, united-front body of Negro and white churches, trade unions, and other organizations.

Support of International Youth Day, September 7th, was another call expressed in the leaflets.

On International Youth Day, a parade will be staged at 2 p. m., from 56th and Central ave., to 38th and Asot, where a demonstration will be held. The Peace Committee for International Youth Day, a Father Divine group, the Young Friends of Ethiopia, composed of a number of organizations, and the Young Communist League are arranging the parade and demonstration. Other organizations are being approached for participation.

The YCL will hold a dance in the evening of September 7th.

Union members: Raise the question of having your delegate to the Central Labor Council support recognition of unemployed organizations.

OREGON LABOR FAVORS PARTY FOR PRODUCERS

ANNUAL CONVENTION IN MILITANT STAND

PORTLAND, Aug. 27.—Calling for "organizing a new political organization in the State . . . representing the interests of the producers," the Oregon State Federation of Labor completed its 33rd annual session with a noteworthy list of militant recommendations for the betterment of the conditions of the working class.

* Favor Lundeen Bill.

Besides going on record as favoring the formation of a Labor Party, the Convention went on record for the Lundeen Unemployment and Social Insurance Bill, H.R. 2827, condemned Governor Charles H. Martin, and other state and county officials for their strike-breaking brutalities; condemned compulsory military training, called for the release of Tom Mooney, and warned against gag laws, especially those aimed at teachers.

It was unanimously resolved to urge the Amateur Athletic Association of America to boycott the Olympic Games scheduled for Nazi Germany, and the terroristic regime there was severely condemned. Kunji Kato, appearing on the second day of the convention, was given a great ovation. Delegation from the Japanese workers of Japan and the United States was to be divided by any war was shown by the delegates, although reactionaries at the convention blocked a resolution to that effect.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE S.F. CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL

Weekly Meeting, Friday, August 23

"Voice of Federation" Seems Popular— Sailors Again Protest Scabby Sheet— Bridges on Santa Rosa Terror

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 23.—Shortly before the meeting was called to order about 100 copies of the "Voice of the (Maritime) Federation" were laid on a dais in the center of the hall where the delegates could help themselves. Three-fourth of them were taken before the session began. It seemed much more popular than the "California Federationist," scabby organ of the State Federation of Labor, copies of which on previous occasions had been left untouched by the delegates.

Delegates were observed reading the "Voice" even during the meeting, and after it was adjourned, the demand for copies exceeded the supply. More should be left at the next meeting.

Meeting was called to order at 8:15 p. m. Minutes of previous meeting approved as corrected. Correction was insertion of report of Masters, Mates and Pilots having signed with various shipping firms.

Communication from Sailors Union of the Pacific protesting use of the columns of the "Federationist" to slander local maritime unions. They also protested the failure of the editor to join the Newspaper Guild. Mr. Vandelaar stated the editor is a member of the Guild. The Sailor's delegate contradicted him, saying the secretary is not a member of that organization. (He has since received his membership card. Ed.)

The Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union reported on the strike in Selby, Calif. Reported the Maritime unions are helping by refusing to handle cargo for the Selby Co. 435 men are out—100 per cent.

Communication from the Clerk of the County Board of Supervisors, inviting the Council to

FASCIST YOUTH GROUP BORN AT L. A. POLICE RANGE MEET

"Crusaders" With Support of All Local Reactionaries Will "Combat Reds"

By John Broman.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 24.—Organization of a Fascist youth group, to be known as the "Crusaders," and whose subject will be "to combat Communism," was revealed here today. The group will constitute a junior auxiliary to the American Women, Inc., headed by Mrs. Louise Ward Watkins, political stooge for the Los Angeles Times, Better America Federation, Merchants and Manufacturers Association, et al.

SEAMEN PLAN NEW OVERTIME; OTHER DEMANDS

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at the feet of the maritime workers.

Reminiscent of the Industrial Association "Statements" during the 1934 Maritime Strike, Monday's advertisement declared the employers willing to renew the awards but absolutely against any changes in the terms of these awards. Rank and file maritime workers on the front here consider the shipowners' statement as a bluff intended to frighten rather than threaten those involved.

Longshoremen and seamen alike point out the shippers had waited until certain the men would refuse to handle scab cargo before publishing their statement. San Francisco capitalist newspapers, who were organized in a strike-breaking block during the strike last year, took their cue from the employers and attempted to prove the workers were forcing the issue.

A further move for solidarity of the maritime workers came last week when an arrangements committee was set up to prepare for the holding of mass meetings here each Saturday, composed of the membership of all the maritime unions.

The Sonoma vigilante terror was discussed for more than an hour at a joint L.S.U. meeting Saturday and a strongly worded protest was passed and sent to county and state authorities.

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Significantly enough, the group was organized Thursday evening at the Los Angeles Police Pistol Range, and plans to draw its membership from all junior organizations, colleges and schools in the community.

John McElheney, who organized the vigilante group known as the "Americans," which terrorized the University of California at Los Angeles campus last year, was unanimously elected acting chairman.

"That we may not become too involved with various organizations or their representatives, we should proceed slowly at first by inviting only individuals into the organization," said McElheney. "After a definite program and platform are adopted, then we shall extend the membership privileges to representatives of organizations."

McElheney is to appoint a committee to prepare a draft for permanent operating plans at the next meeting at the police pistol range, Sept. 5, at 7:30 p. m. At that time a representative of the Junior Chamber of Commerce will be present to start the red-baiting campaign rolling.

The "Crusaders" roll of labor-enemies follows:

Virginia Brown, president of Wilshire Women's Club Juniors, elected secretary of the "Crusaders"; Cecilia Cummins, Catholic Women's Club Juniors; Vivian Graves, Rosalia Hagen, Jesslyn Hair, Y. W. C. A.; Floy Hendricks, Occidental College; June LaVern Kendall, Edna Mae Point, Jane Laraway, U.C.L.A.; Dorothy Merrill, president Beverly Hills Women's Club Juniors; Olive Redwine, Jean Shean, Ruth Sydnor, Beth Tibbet, Y.W.C.A.; Kay S. Watkins, and Maxine White; Bob Callahan, DeMolay; Charles Carr, Los Angeles Junior College vigilante; Fenton W. Earnshaw, U.C.L.A. Scabard and Blade and would-be militarist; John Knauf, Pomona; Norman A. Pabst, Jr., California School of Technology, and John C. Plummer.

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UTAH FERA CUT ENFORCED WITH POLICE TERROR

CRIMINAL SYNDICALISM, RIOT, ARE CHARGES AGAINST 8

SALT LAKE CITY, Aug. 24.—Police of this city are holding eight workers on charges of criminal syndicalism and riot, while they comb the entire metropolitan area for leading members of the Communist Party. Following a 50 per cent cut in Federal relief budgets for food, the relief authorities told the unemployed that nothing would be allowed them for rent, light, kiter, clothing, etc.

300 unemployed workers, under the leadership of the National Unemployed Councils, marched on the relief station to demand that the cuts be restored. They were met at the door by a force of City and County police, reinforced by specially hired FERA thugs. The workers, totally unarmed, defended themselves as best they could against the police clubs.

The ferocious police attack forced the workers from the building, but not before 4 cops had been beaten. The north-end of the building was completely wrecked.

The unemployed are preparing another demonstration for this morning, and intend to march despite the city-wide reign of police terror and the mobilization of the American Legion. Norman Sims has mobilized the Legion for an attack on any workers' struggle at a moments notice.

The workers held on charges of riot and criminal syndicalism are: J. Wolman, O. Shelly, Ralph Solomon, F. Martin, P. White, Geo. Shay, Dave Sinclair and W. Allen. All are members of the Unemployed Councils.

Workers and their organizations throughout the West should send protests to Chief of Police Payne, at the Police Building, to Sheriff Young, at the city and county building.

The International Labor Defense is handling the case of those arrested.

Drive the reactionaries out of the unions. Elect rank-and-file representatives. Fight for trade union democracy.

FOREIGN NEWS Briefs

Record Harvest Nazi Slogans Official Censored 30,000 Disabled Brazil Strikes

SOVIET UNION—Harvest of grain is in full swing, with 58 per cent of the crop reaped by Aug. 10. A record crop, between 100,000,000 to 110,000,000 tons, is expected from present indications. The best work in the harvest has been accomplished on state farms, where the crop is gathered almost entirely by combined harvesters and threshers. In the rich grain-growing regions of the south, the crop is entirely reaped. Rainy weather during July and the first part of August, while delaying the harvest, gives promise of plenty of moisture for the crops to be sown during the fall.

The second five year plan contemplated increasing the grain crop from 70,000,000 metric tons in 1932 to 105,000,000 tons in 1937. From present indications, this figure will be reached this year. It is expected that government purchases of grain to feed the city population will far exceed the 25,000,000 tons bought last year, which is the record figure so far.

GERMANY—The tactics employed against Jews in Germany is shown by the following slogans, printed in a round robin circulated in Hannover by the Nazi Party. The first one was to be put on sign boards at the entrance to towns, according to instructions in the pamphlet. Such signs appear in most German towns today.

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ITALY—Information has reached British officials now in Paris that 30,000 sick and wounded Italian soldiers have already been returned through the Suez Canal. Most of them are not being sent back directly to Italy, but are sent to Malta, Rhodes, or even to Lybia, to avoid the shock to the morale of the Italian people that a knowledge of the real situation would give.

It is learned that the annual British Trade Union Congress, to meet next month, will be asked to go on record against Mussolini's attempt to conquer Ethiopia. It is pointed out that the average wage of workers in Southern Italy is 43 cents per day, and food sales have declined 12 per cent because of the poverty of the population.

A soldier's pay is even lower than that, and his wife is allowed only 7 cents a day with 4 cents added for each child.

BRAZIL.—State police with machine guns have been sent to Mossoro, in Rio Grande del Norte, in North Brazil, to break a general strike of workers here. The chief industry of the locality is salt.

In Rio De Janeiro taxi strikers have threatened a general strike if gasoline prices are increased by the oil companies. The increase would make it impossible for them to operate taxis profitably. The oil companies are trying to get the municipality, which at present regulates prices, to allow the increase.

Bedacht of I.W.O. Speaks in L.A.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 24.—"Proletarian Fraternism and Social Insurance" will be the subject of a speech by Max Bedacht, general secretary of the International Workers Order, at the I. W.O. mass meeting at the Music Arts Hall, Wednesday, Sept. 4, at 8:00 p. m.

Bedacht will also speak at the annual picnic of the I.W.O. at Whitingwoods, 3150 Honolulu ave., La Crescenta, on Sunday, Sept. 8. Trucks will furnish transportation to the picnic grounds. The program will be enlivened by sports and entertainment by the youth branches of the organization.

The Western Worker can be obtained at news stands. If your news dealer does not have it, ask him to stock it.

Jobless Jottings

By the Boondoggler (L. A.)

J. E. Vaughn, property owner and dollar-loving landlord, not satisfied with the amount he originally agreed to accept from SERA for the rent on the apartment at 3504 South Ferris ave has filed suit for possession.

Officers of the law, under orders of G. M. Gale, Justice of the peace, backed by the sovereign state of California propose at 5 p. m. today (Aug. 21) to "evict by force" 3 women, one very sick, a boy of 6, a girl of 4, and a baby of 15 months, from their home at the above address.

To even the youngest member of this little family this is not to be a new experience. When the baby was only 21 days old and they were quarantined for infantile paralysis they were thrown into the street.

Three days later (June 1st) when the father went with a committee to the relief officials to protest such outrages he was attacked by police and along with others beaten and jailed and sentenced by Judge Crum to serve two years in prison.

Today with the father locked in Lincoln Heights jail for demanding relief, the law aims to again throw his wife, Jean Hendricks, his two sisters and the children into the street.

At last the drive to put people to work under WPA is showing results. . . . 140,000 have been fired off SERA.

California Relief Officials, like echoes in the mountains, parrot the national administration and state; there are 20,000 jobs, mostly agricultural, open in the state, 8,000 in the Southern area alone; unemployed are being cut off relief to force them to take these jobs; the unemployed don't want to work.

We are unable after a week's search and inquiry to locate or get a trace of any of the thousands of open jobs in Southern California. No one heard of them, all wanted to know where they were to be found. . . . those "phantom jobs conceived by the empty skulls of plump bellied officials."

Jobs such as the following were found listed on the blackboard at the Standard Employment Agency at 521 Towne ave:

"Chicken Ranch, Steady Job, Room, Board and Room in Exchange," "Man for Goat and Sheep Ranch, Must have Exp. Herding, Steady Job Guaranteed, . . . Board and room some wages," "Man mechanic to repair cars, Work on ranch, Eastern man O. K. . . . Board and room in exchange for services" . . .

At another employment agency at 506 Towne ave, "Labor Jobs at \$15 a month and food" and "Ranch jobs at \$15 a month and food" were also FILED. . . . and don't forget these jobs were being sold.

Over 300 job wanted ads are to be found in today's L. A. newspapers of which the following are samples: "Young man, 34, desires to live, will sell self for good proposition," "College boy age 26, Exp. Cashier, Market, Service star, 6 to 8 dollars week" or the following by a young woman: "Expert Seamstress, Can take dictation, Will go anywhere, Make offer."

"The unemployed don't want to work," . . . but Earl Crainer is in jail at Auburn, Calif., accused of, among other things, of killing a man . . . and applying for his job. . . .

Omaha Labor Backs Street Car Strike, Injunction Defied

OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 26.—The second conference to support the strike of Omaha street car men, held Aug. 24, with the endorsement of the Central Labor Council, showed that workers were behind the drive against scab cars and were determined to make Omaha and Council Bluffs 100 per cent union.

The action of the previous conference, which decided to maintain picket lines regardless of the anti-picketing injunction secured by employers, was again endorsed. It was pointed out that the 37th annual convention of the A. F. of L. had gone on record "That any injunction dealing with the relationship of the employer and the employees, and based upon the dictum 'Labor is Property' is held and absolutely treated as usurpation and disregarded, let the consequences be what they may."

One man cars mean one man starves! Boycott the injunction granted to the Market Street Railway by Judge Louderback.

News Stories and Comment by Worker Correspondents

Discrimination For Negroes On Relief

ROOSEVELT \$4 BILLION PROMISES NO GOOD

Skill Means Nothing
PROFESSIONAL WORKERS
GIVEN LABOR JOBS

By Clinton Carroll

LOS ANGELES.—The Great White Father in Washington announced, when the legislation providing for appropriation of \$4,800,000,000 was up in Congress, that the appropriation was to be used in creating work for those on relief rolls, and that any person, no matter what race, creed or color, would be given any position for which they were qualified.

"There is to be no discrimination," was the assurance. "Those who are capable of filling a position will be given that position."

Now, when the opportunity of returning to school—thus qualifying for better work—and when the "white-collar jobs" and the "chairwarming" positions are handed out, Negroes, who were patted on the back and told a vote for the Democratic Party would bring dividends in a square deal unequalled in the history of the United States, are getting the metal-tipped boot out the back door and given the "bum's rush" in the direction of the pick-and-shovel gangs, where they'll get in the neck, morning, night and noon.

Political Flunkies.

Iliterate flunkies of political bosses have been placed in charge of the labor gangs by the hypocritical administration and they never fail to pick Negroes for the dirty work. Negroes, who are college graduates, skilled workers, actors, writers, and musicians, are forced to do chain-gang labor and are barred from the musical, drama and school projects, even though they have met all qualifications.

While incompetent "bootlickers" and "work dodgers" are given positions as directors of plays in the drama project when they don't know upstage from downstage, and directors of band, when they don't know pianissimo from fortissimo.

Floyd Covington, of the Urban League, has on record many cases of absolute discrimination in all projects. One of the cases concerns a former telephone operator, whose husband is unable to work and who was advised by her visitor to enroll in the school project. This girl did, passing with a high intelligent quotient.

Negro "Hello" Girl.

She registered as a telephone operator, as the requirement were six months employment in the vocation students wanted. But when she received her work order and reported at Frank Williams Trade School, for her class, the Supervisor advised her to take cooking, as she was sure there was no opportunity for a colored operator.

And not only did she absolutely refuse to accept her in the class when she insisted she had been employed as an operator for the required six months, but when the girl wrote back to Kansas City, Kansas, and received letters of reference from three former employers, who recommended her, praised her ability and stated she had worked at that profession for three years, she is still refused admittance. And the "square deal" SERA officials who assured us there would be no discrimination, have closed up like the proverbial clam about the entire matter.

Press of Both Colors.

So it seems the Negro is out of luck. The Administration ignores him; officials of the SERA tell him to go straight to hell; and the Press—the Negro Press—that blathers and pants and runs headlines about some Negro actor who isn't invited to banquets or celebrations along with white stars—fails to publish one paragraph criticizing the Administration.

And the white press prints vitriolic statements like the one the Hollywood Citizen-News ran a few days ago, and which the columnist knows to be a bare-faced lie.

"It's too bad that taxpayers have to support a bunch of drunken Negro actors."

But the Hollywood Citizen-News never fails to print columns and columns discrediting any rumor of drunkenness among Hollywood movie stars.

BUT WE NEGROES CAN DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT! We can organize with white workers and Mexican workers and Chinese and Japanese workers to stop all race discrimination.

HOW "JUSTICE" IS HANDLED BY BOSSES' COURT

CHARGES OF BRUTALITY
AGAINST CHIEF OF
POLICE

By a Worker Correspondent.

VENTURA, Calif.—Here is a sample of "Justice" in the courts of this county. This week Joe Kerrick, Chief of police of Oxnard, who is under grand jury indictment on 4 counts of brutality to prisoners appeared for preliminary hearing.

By 10:30 the court was well filled with workers who wondered if there might be a little justice done, and the Judge took his seat with great dignity.

A smug smile spread over the brutal features of Chief Kerrick as his attorney rose and moved that the case be dismissed on the grounds that there had never been a prosecution on such a charge in California. The defense also claimed that the grand jury had acted as a body of prosecutors, rather than a fact-finding body.

From the actions of the prosecuting attorney somebody must have been prosecuting the case besides him, as he made no attempt to press it.

The case was continued until

Press Party Raises Funds

LOS ANGELES.—The Workers' School class in Labor Journalism recently gave a house party to raise money for the workers' press. The proceeds of the affair, \$7.50, were divided between the Western Worker and a worker correspondent's stamp fund and a fund for a monthly bulletin to be issued by the Southern California Workers' Press Bureau.

Features of the entertainment were: an exhibition of working class papers, contrasted with the "sexational" capitalist press; a reading of Conrad Seiler's play "Censored" and short talks by instructors of the Workers' School.

"Any time after Labor Day," and the hearing was set for September 6th, if the Judge denies the motion for dismissal.

Then the court must prove itself as a "Court of Justice," so it called the case of a 19-year old girl.

His honor said, "You are 19 years old, are you not?"

"Yes."

"You plead guilty to the charge of entering the apartment of . . . unlawfully, with the intent to commit burglary, and applied for probation, did you not?"

"Yes," rather hopefully.

Then his honor informed her that probation was denied, and she would be sent to the Ventura State School for girls. There she'll get her heart out, and learn to enter apartments and steal without getting caught.

BAKERS SHOULD STAY IN UNION

RANK AND FILE ACTION CAN OVERCOME SITUATION

By a Bakery Worker

LOS ANGELES.—Although sentiment is strong among bakers and drivers in the various local shops for unionization, little progress is being made in the building of Bakers Local 37, due to distrust of the rank and file at the timid leadership and policies offered by the union officials.

After a series of three mass meetings, 50 applications were made for membership in the union, but the applicants have shied at the do-nothing leadership and have refused to pay any more on their application fee of \$5. Also, they have discontinued attendance at union meetings.

Bakery workers are urged not to drop out of the union because of distrust for policies advanced by the leadership, but instead to stay in the union to develop rank and file formulation of policies. All workers are urged to join the union, inasmuch as election of new officials will take place in December.

Union meetings are held the second and fourth Saturdays every month at 3 p. m.

William Buschek, union business agent, and Shearer, executive board member, were recently elected as delegates to the state American Federation of Labor convention.

BOYCOTT HEARST NEWSPAPERS!

ORANGE COUNTY SUGAR BEET WORKERS PREPARE DEMANDS

WORKERS MUST KEEP AWAY FROM THIS CAFETERIA

JOHN LEIGHTON'S ON FILLMORE STREET

By a Worker Correspondent.

SAN FRANCISCO.—On Fillmore street, opposite the New Fillmore Theatre is John Leighton's cafeteria, a place permitted to stay open during last year's general strike by the Emergency Strike Committee. It is supposed to be a union house, although its help is worked from 12 to 14 hours a day under the cloak of being a "co-operative."

Workers crowd this place, believing of course, that it is friendly to labor.

Last year, during the vigilante attacks on the Fillmore street hall when clubs were used freely on the heads of workers, some of us took refuge in Mr. Leighton's Cafeteria. We ordered coffee, and no sooner had we drunk out the last drop than the tray was removed from in front of us and the manager asked us to vacate the place. With an exasperating gesture he brought us to the door and out into the midst of the vigilante attacks.

Others are allowed to sit as long as they please if they read the Call-Bulletin.

Effective organization of unemployed will aid in maintaining union scales of pay. Demand that your union officials support such work.

MEXICAN UNION LEADERS DODGE ACTION

Driven Off Relief

POLITICIAN CALLS FOR BUDGET CUTS

(By a Field Worker)

SANTA ANA, Calif.—The situation in the beet field here is reaching the stage where demands will be presented to the growers and the large sugar corporations—the Holly Sugar Co. and the American Sugar Corp.—probably on the morning of August 23, with a demand for an answer within 48 hours.

The demands, as determined by numerous mass meetings of agricultural workers are:

Minimum wage of 50 cents an hour; abolition of the piece work scale in beet topping; an 8-hour day with time and a half for overtime and a guarantee of a minimum of four days' work a week; elimination of labor contractors; good water and all tools to be supplied by the growers; and recognition of collective bargaining committees.

Moral Support.

The Campesino's Union (Mexican Federation of Agricultural and Field Workers) has refused to sign the demands jointly with the Orange County Federation of Unemployed and Allied Organizations, but promised moral support in case of strike action. They say they have no authority to enter into joint action with us.

At the same time they do nothing to protect the interests of the interests of the beet toppers, most of whom are members of their union. It appears that the leadership is more interested in the workers employed on the Japanese truck farms than they are in the miserable conditions of the beet toppers.

The drive of the relief authorities to furnish the growers with cheap labor is gathering momentum, as every day men are cut off relief to work in the field. As yet this drive has not touched the American workers, but that it will is shown by the callous statement of the representatives of the Orange County Farm Bureau at the board of supervisors on Aug. 20.

Support Struggle.

He said, "An emergency that extends over a period of four years is no longer an emergency but a condition. It should be treated as such. If a man cannot supply jam for his bread he should do without jam and if he cannot supply gasoline for his car he should walk. The county relief budget must be cut."

The Farm Bureau will probably soon take the position that if a man can't furnish his bread he should go hungry.

The drive for better wages for the beet toppers is something that affects every worker in Orange County. If better conditions are won here it means that better wages can be won in all other phases of agricultural work. It means that the small merchants will sell more merchandise, that landlords will receive their rent, that doctors and dentists will get a chance to minister to the sick with some chance of getting paid. Support the beet workers in their fight for better conditions.

Commonwealth College to Have Joe Jones Murals

MENA, Ark., Aug. 15.—Arkansas is moving up several rungs on America's cultural ladder with the beginning at Commonwealth College, near Mena, of a set of mural paintings by Joe Jones, the St. Louis artist who achieved national distinction by his one-man show last spring in New York.

Jones has been in Arkansas the past week gathering material for his interpretation of the life of the people. Miners, sharecroppers and other elements of the population will figure in his project.

Jones is a self-taught artist who graduated under his own power from his former trade as house painter. New York art critics have commented enthusiastically on his freshness and vitality and the mastery of materials and theme manifested in such well known paintings as "Roustabouts," "The New Deal," "Road to Beach," etc. "Arkansas is an ideal state for the mural painter with social consciousness," Jones declares. "The struggles of the coal miners and the poor farmers against the several forms of adversity, the inescapable social problem and the pictorial character of the state itself simply cry out for mural treatment."

MANUAL FOR FIELD WRITERS

Beginning a Series of Articles Toward Increasing Efficiency of the Working Class Press—General Introduction to the Subject and a Few Specific Instructions—Answering the Questions Which Arise on Issues

This is the first of a series of articles designed to help our writers and worker correspondents achieve the best results in reporting for the Western Worker. Clip them and save them. Keep them on hand to instruct new forces as they are drawn into the movement.

Our task is far greater than just supplying abstract news of general reader interest. The WESTERN WORKER is not an observer on the sidelines. It is a comrade in action, a fighting force in every strike and organizational move in the West. It must carry the information that is necessary to workers in protecting their interests. It must answer their questions, give them guidance when necessary, serve to build unity in their ranks, carry the real story of their struggle to other organizations and win them to solidarity.

Our paper must also educate. It must carry out Lenin's principle that the first duty of a Communist is to "patiently explain." The affairs of life are presented by the capitalist press as a confused and unintelligible welter. History is presented as a jumble of a thousand unrelated incidents. We must present the scene so that the worker can see it all as a related whole. And we must make him understand the relation of this whole to his own immediate problems. We must always point the way from vague, disconnected theorizing toward practical struggle and militant organization.

WE MUST BE EXPERTS

None realize better than we how far short we are of complying with the demand of Lenin for:

"A staff of expert writers, expert correspondents, an army of . . . reporters that has established contacts far and wide, able to penetrate into all sorts of 'state secrets' . . . find its way behind the scenes, an army of men and women whose 'official duty' it must be to be ubiquitous and omniscient, all-knowing, all-seeing."

But we are constantly striving to perfect ourselves toward this objective. And we hope that these articles will bring us a little closer to the goal.

WHAT DO WE WANT?

Above all, we want accuracy. It is not necessary to exaggerate the conditions under which the workers and the unemployed struggle for a living. Such exaggeration is romanticism. The situation is serious enough without coloring it and the plain facts told dramatically will do the work better than anything else.

Point out wherever possible organizational steps the workers in any situation should take, and explain wherein they were wrong if they made mistakes.

But go easy on editorializing and philosophizing. If you tell a story about a man falling down stairs and breaking his neck, it is unnecessary to inform the reader that it is a misfortune.

If you tell a story about a worker or fired out of a plant for union activity, you don't have to tell the reader that this is a "vicious persecution." Make the facts carry their own conclusions. Leave a little something for the reader to do. If you tell the story and then tell the reader what to think about it and how to feel about it, he gets aggravated and you can't blame him.

Everything affecting the wages, working or living conditions of the working class is news and we want it. Every comment, decision, move of the employer class is news and we want it. Every incident, remark or observation which illustrates the decline and degeneration of the capitalist class, and the organizational growth and class consciousness of the working class, is news and we want it.

All news and information pertaining to labor struggles past, present or future, we want. Every bit of experience which will be of value in an organizational way, we should have. And don't wait for things you happen to come across. It is your business to go out and get this material. Study the organizational needs in your

locality, then get busy and dig up what you observe to be necessary information.

KEEPING IN GEAR

In this way the contents of the paper can be exactly fitted to the actual scene of struggle. An editor who sits eternally in his office is not to get out of gear with the public he is serving, no matter how thorough or correct his writings might be as regards Party line and facts.

It is necessary at all times to know:

What are the people saying?

What are the people thinking?

How are they reacting to current issues?

What is their attitude?

Only you can keep the Western Worker office informed on such vital matters.

It is not only necessary to understand an issue, but we must also understand the main questions which arise in the public mind on this issue. It is our business to answer these questions.

LEADING CAMPAIGNS

There are always a number of leading campaigns that it is important to popularize and explain. For example: at the present time we have, locally:

The situation in West Coast Maritime unions.

Vigilantism, the agricultural fields and the close relation of this with the unemployed.

Copy Deadlines

The Western Worker goes to press on Tuesday and Fridays at noon. Feature articles and material of a general nature must reach us by first mail delivery not later than Monday morning, for the Tuesday edition, and Thursday morning for the Friday edition. Preferably sooner.

For purposes of distribution in outlying sections, the Friday edition is dated the following Monday and the Tuesday edition bears the date of the following Thursday.

Timely news must reach us not later than 5:00 p. m. on Thursday and Mondays. News of very vital importance—the settlement of a strike—a decision to strike—hitherto unannounced actions of government or employers—gangster attacks—sudden changes in important issues—can get in with brief bulletin length if received by us before 10:00 a. m. on Tuesday and Friday. When an issue is imperative, wire us press rates collect. However, go easy on the telegram business. It's expensive. Never wire when the same news can reach us in time by air mail or special delivery.

LENGTH OF ARTICLES

The maximum length of feature articles, short stories, etc. is six typewritten pages double spaced, preferably five. For news items, use your own judgment.

Approximately three and a half typewritten pages double spaced makes a full column of type.

It is not necessary to write news stories up ready for publication. If you are pressed for time, just jot down all the facts and we will write the story in the office.

Don't get the idea that you have to run onto some monster story or crucial issue in order to have something to send us. Send us everything. One little incident, one small fact, one quotation from somebody, can be turned into an interesting short item.

WHERE TO GO

ORGANIZATIONS! Get big crowds to your affairs. Advertise them here. New rates—7c a line, in advance!

San Francisco

RED POW-WOW—Save the date—Aug. 31, Saturday Night, at 121 Haight street. Plays, dancing and other entertainment. Plenty of eats. Admission 25c.

DESKS, files, etc., are needed by the Western Worker. Notify the business manager when and where to have materials picked up.

PROTEST VIGILANTE TERROR in Santa Rosa. Mass meeting to be held Tuesday, August 27th, 8 P. M. at 68 Haight St. Prominent speakers will address this meeting. Auspices: American League Against War and Fascism.

TRIUMPHANT RE-OPENING OF WORKERS' SCHOOL! 121 Haight street, September 2, 8:00 p. m. Lecture by Beatrice Kinkaid: "Education in Two Worlds." Dancing, Refreshments. Door Prize. Admission 25c With P.W.U.C. Card 10c.

M'NAMARA (Russian) Branch of I.L.D. Entertainment - Dance, Saturday, September 7, at 8:00 p. m., at Bonita Hall, 3092 Twenty-fourth st. (cor. Bolson). Russian Dancing, Music, Fats, a play by Workers Theater. Admission 25c. Benefit Political Prisoners Defense Fund.

THIRD RED BANNER NIGHT, Saturday, September 14, 1935, 121 Haight street, Workers' Theater Play, Dancing.

ATTENTION! Workers' Press. Bonnie Reile of books will be held at this affair. Bring your stubs. Auspices: Mission Sub-Section, Communist Party.

ENTERTAINMENT & DANCE to be given by the Greek Workers' Educational Club "Spartakus", 394 Third Street, Saturday, August 31, 8 P. M. Good Fats and Good Times, Electric Clock and Radio to be raffled. Adm. 15c. Ladies Free.

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I.L.D. Meet Recalls Sacco Vanzetti Case

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 24.—Respect to the memory of Sacco and Vanzetti was paid here last night by several hundred people meeting in the Cultural Center under the auspices of the International Labor Defense. The occasion was the anniversary of the legalized murder of these two militant leaders of the working class.

Carl Eccles, of the League of Struggle for Negro Rights; Grover Johnson, I.L.D. attorney, and Harold J. Ashe, of the Communist Party, outlined the lives of Sacco and Vanzetti and their heroic sacrifice for the working class. The need for a strong United Front of all working class organizations, as a means of defending political prisoners and the rights of all workers, was strongly emphasized by all three speakers.



SAN FRANCISCO—Notwithstanding the stupendous advertising, the Orpheum's "Diamond Jim" looks like the best of the lot of the current poor pictures.

MARCH OF TIME

In its first appearance this week, the new film announced itself as the principal means of direct politicalization of current events. Its message has been more plainly stated than that of any other news feature.

The newest samples of these object lessons, the current "March of Time" at the Golden Gate, is well described in the August issue of "Time" magazine. Here are some quotes from a double page ad on this feature in that issue:

"AT LAST, FRENCH STORM TROOPS! Every day 400 and more picked, alert, hard-muscled Frenchmen are now joining up behind a leader who has the look of a dictator and whose record links him with the great names of Marshal Lyautey, General Weygand and Marshal Foch. In one short year the Storm Troops of his 'Cross of Fire' have swelled from an untrained and un-equipped 40,000 to 600,000 now organized in strategic commands all over France, provided with fleets of motor cars for quick mobilization, equipped with a squadron of airplanes and accused of having secret caches of arms."

And on the photograph of the French Fascist, De La Roquette, a bull dog visaged gentleman of the Mussolini type, appears the superimposed caption: "A LEADER WHO HAS THE LOOK OF A DICTATOR."

"March of Time," produced by RKO studios, a part of the Rockefeller collection of enterprises. Those who have followed recent political developments in France know that the French Fascist

party is not nearly as strong as this film would indicate. What "March of Time" does NOT show are the tremendous demonstrations of the French anti-fascist united front, which drive the fascists off the street.

FLICKERS AND FLASHBACKS

All workers' theater members should read Alice Evans' excellent article in current "New Theatre," "Theatre and Trade Unions." For those considering seeing Ina Claire in her new play, "Ode to Liberty," reviews indicate this play is definitely not worth bothering about. Ina Claire is just another example of excellent talent wasted under what some people refer to as our "so-called" capitalist system.

The Warfield is stuck with Marion Davies' latest painful opus, cheerfully entitled "Page Miss Grogg." When Marion's name is mentioned to theatre managers, their response is not very cheerful.

"THE BIRTH OF A LANGUAGE," the name of the first film on the origin of a language is now in process of production by Lenoxville (Leningrad Educational Film Trust). The leading role will be played by Archie Finney, a North American Indian who is an aspirant to the Institute of Anthropology and Ethnography in Leningrad. Finney has provided material with which he will illustrate gestures common to all the 200 tribes of North American Indians which inhabited America in the past. The film is based on material provided by scientific workers of a Leningrad research institution. It will be issued in popular form and also in a more detailed version for the scientific institutions of the Academy of Sciences.

Communist Party Will Lead Next Revolution of Mexican Workers

By Irving S. Kreitzberg.

The Mexican Revolution was, from a Marxist viewpoint, a bourgeois revolution, almost classic in pattern. The middle classes utilized the discontent of the workers and the land hunger of the peasants to achieve its aims. Once these aims were achieved, the radical program was discarded and promises to the masses were exposed in their true character.

But the workers had not shed their blood in furious battles at El Distrito Federal, nor had the peasants with astonishing courage traversed the torrid South and the sand-swept desert of the North, merely to exchange new masters for old. The workers wanted a decent standard of living; the peasants wanted land. But they were given neither. The Dictator Diaz had been overthrown, but a new group, the **Partido Nacional Revolucionario (PNR)** had replaced him. All the causes for the mass content and the smouldering ashes of a proletarian revolution remained.

Since 1924, General Calles, head of the P. N. R. (which for strategic reasons retained its revolutionary name) and ex-president, been virtual dictator of Mexico. All opposition to him was crushed. President Rubio, a political rival, was forced to resign and flee the country. The once militant labor unions with the aid of Moragas, a Matthew Woll type of labor leader, were assigned to a position comparable to the American Federation of Labor under Goldie. The Communist Party, and its agent, El Machete, were outlawed. Later, relations with the Soviet Union were broken.

Enter American Imperialism.

The inside group began to enrich itself in the fashion of typical Mexican political personalities. Land, including that seized from the Yaqui Indians, was divided among the members of the ruling group and hands were dug deep into the public treasury. Big business, especially foreign capital, was granted great privileges, and the former U. S. ambassador, Morrow, a Morgan partner, succeeded in establishing

"good will" between the government and Wall Street.

All this coupled with the depression, has caused great suffering among the masses of Mexico. By 1934, wages in the industrial sections had dropped 25 per cent. Relief for the unemployed was pitifully inadequate. A definite left influence began to be felt within the unions and despite the leadership, the unions began to take on new life.

The Cuban revolution left a deep impression upon the populace. The administration of President Rodriguez, scion of the Tia Juana brotels, was marked by sharp strikes and a growing militancy of labor and restlessness of the peasants.

Rodriguez, backed by Saenz and the Monterey group of industrialists prepared to drop what was left of the progressive demagoguery and resort to open fascism. Nazi propaganda was permitted from the German Embassy and the fascist Gold Shirts were organized.

Dictator and Demagogue.

But Calles, now one of Mexico's richest men and still the P. N. R. big boss, had his fingers closer to the Nation's pulse, and feared the possibilities of such action. He advised against a change from the well-worn methods. Instead he proposed to the party's presidential convention, increased demagoguery and more popular appeal.

As a blind for the discontented and vast radicalizing masses, the Six-Year Plan, a pseudo imitation of the Soviet Five Year Plan was adopted.

The agrarian problem, which was solved, the national economy would be re-organized, construction of public works would begin and Socialist education would be permitted in the schools—the people were told. And so great had the Communist Party become, and so popular the achievement of the Soviet Union, that the Minister of Education, in a speech declared that capitalism would be abolished and the Dictatorship of the Proletariat established—of course not immediately, but by gradual

evolution and without the use of force.

*** Cardenas Outlines Calles.**

Upon such a demagogic platform General Cardenas, a Calles puppet, was elected. Once in office Cardenas sought to throw off Calles' shackles and replace him as the party's leader. He set out to create for himself a machine and popularity independent of Calles. He utilized the now crystallized hatred of the people for Calles. He promised land to the peasants beyond their wildest expectations, he flirted with the unions and put his friends into leading positions in the army. And in order to win still wider popularity, he played an even deeper game.

Canabal, a Calles tool and his Red Shirts, which despite its name was a private army of thugs, was permitted to carry on its attack against the much hated, wealthy, Catholic Church. It was a fine method of diverting the attention of the impoverished masses from their suffering and give his administration a radical reputation. But whenever this course should become too dangerous to the reactionary interests or no longer served his needs, he could always point out that Canabal was a Calista (a supporter of Calles).

Taking advantage of Calles' absence in the U. S. where he had gone for an operation, Cardenas completely divorced himself from him, ousting Calles' friends from the cabinet and replacing them with his own. Upon his return Calles attacked Cardenas, accusing him of disrupting the P. N. R. and of instigating labor strife. In even stronger language he attacked the unions. It was evident he was planning a fascist coup.

*** General Strike Ousts Calles.**

On the very same day that Calles' statement was printed in the press the Electrician's Union called a hasty conference and branding Calles' declaration a fascist provocation, voted a general strike of the rights of Mexican labor were encroached upon. Within forty-eight hours, 70 per cent of Mexico's unions, reinforced by

agrarian organizations, had voted to support this action.

Calles left the country, and Cardenas, joined by Portes Gil, became the great mogul. The government was reorganized. The Callista, anti-Catholic, Canabal, now no longer needed, was ousted and the anti-religious campaign began to die down. Cardenas began to shed himself of the "radical taint." The Six Year Plan was toned down. Arbitration, a la Madame Perkins, was offered as the means of obtaining better wages and strikes were frowned upon. Forgotten were the promises of land to the peasants. Instead Cardenas has drawn into his government conservative religious elements such as General Cidillo, Catholic champion, and Roa, agent of big business and Wall Street.

*** Communist Party Grows.**

But the workers and farmers are in a militant mood. Strikes are increasing. The Communist Party which through mass pressure has been permitted again to function legally, has become strong and wields a large influence among the masses, especially in the industrial centers and among the railroad workers. The rank and file of the unions are alert and any attempt again to make the unions impotent would result in a fierce struggle. Agrarian workers in a northern state recently rose in revolt against the abominable conditions under which they are being forced to live.

The masses of Mexico are alive. The spirit of revolt is in the air. Should Cardenas—or he failing—Calles or some other agent of capitalism attempt to bring about fascism, the attempt will be met with fierce fury and hatred by an aroused Mexico. The revolution of 1911 was bourgeois, but when the magistrates swing again, and the "pejidos" takes place in the villages and the panchos sweep down upon the large haciendas on their swift little ponies and the workers again storm the El Distrito Federal, it will this time be in their own interests.

Led and guided by the Communist Party, the coming revolution will be proletarian.



Labor Fight For Social Security.

Issued by the A. F. of L., Committee For Unemployment Insurance and Relief, 1 Union Square, New York City. 39 pp. Price 5 cents.

Six Internationals of the American Federation of Labor, six state A. F. of L. Federations, thirty-four central labor councils and hundreds of local unions have endorsed H. R. 2827, the Workers' Bill for Unemployment and Social Insurance.

This pamphlet tells why, in the words of trade union leaders who know unemployment conditions in their respective industry.

For instance Louis Weinstock, of the Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers of America, Local 848, New York City, says:

"Today there are over 33 per cent of the 'gainfully occupied' persons in this country without jobs, a total of more than 17,000,000 men, women and young workers. . . . According to the conservative American Federation of Labor figures, 26 per cent of the total membership of the American Federation of Labor unions are totally unemployed at the present time."

President Roosevelt and William Green talk about "social security" in terms of tax on the workers' rapidly dwindling income. H. R. 2827, the Landrum Bill, proposes to tax the rich, whose profits have increased 70 per cent during the depression period. Weinstock gives a clear analysis of the Wagner Lewis Social Security Bill and one has but to read the Landrum Bill, printed in full in this pamphlet, to understand why workers, wherever they have been given a chance, have endorsed H. R. 2827.

In view of recent attempts to strangle the unemployed on relief the pamphlet is extremely timely.

Others who speak to all trade unionists through the pamphlet include Roy Hallas, president Revival Lodge 199, Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers, Clinton, Pa.; Elmer Brown, chairman of the National Congress of Unemployment and Social Insurance and member of Typographical Union No. 6, New York City; Dr. Dorothy W. Douglas, American Federation of Teachers, Northampton, Mass.; and J. L. McDonald, chairman of the National Committee of the Railroad Brotherhoods, Unity Movement, Chicago, Ill.

Seven pages of endorsement of H. R. 2827 complete the pamphlet. It is packed with valuable statistics which are more convincing than words, and is excellent for use in preparing Labor Party sentiment and linking unemployment problems with maintaining of trade union wage-scales.

ARTIFICIAL LABOR GROUPS

COMPANY UNIONS TODAY
—By Robert W. Dunne—International Pamphlets No. 43—Price 5 cents.

Reviewed by John Markel
To battle successfully in a war, one of the prime requisites for the warrior is a thorough knowledge of the enemy's tactics—an understanding of the defensive measures that will be used against his attack. Without this knowledge the fighter, regardless of his enthusiasm and courage, is of necessity, battling blindly against tremendous odds. Thus it is a vital necessity in the greatest of wars, the class struggle to be well equipped with a full understanding of the method of work of the bourgeoisie if we would circumvent and expose their moves against the rising waves of working class militancy.

In "Company Unions Today" Robert W. Dunn gives us information which is indispensable to any who would understand and work in the trade-union movement. There are many who attempt to answer questions about company unions, who instinctively fight against them but still have no clear conception exactly what they are and wherein lie their greatest weaknesses. Dunn explains the different types of so-called "company unions" and how their growth was so tremendously accelerated with the signing of the NIRA. He explains how the large membership figures are arrived at by Chamber of Commerce publications and so forth.

The difference between the sham and real trade unions is clearly brought out in his discussion of their methods of electing delegates and of attempting to "bargain" with the employers. In short, Dunn pulls away the curtain of fakery and shows the "company union" in its true light as simply another method of keeping the workers from discovering their greatest weapon—militant trade union solidarity.

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ANTI-HEARST MASS MEET

The Friends of the Soviet Union calls on you to help direct the first great blow at "Fuhrer" William Randolph Hearst, and launch officially the organized boycott of his un-American activities in Southern California! Hear this vicious Public Enemy No. 1 indicted as labor foe, warmonger, Hitler-helper, and corrupter of American morals and civil liberties!

Dr. Robert Whitaker,
Los Angeles liberal,
WILL LEAD IN THE EXPOSE OF HEARST

Other speakers are Theodore Bayer, Naional Organizer of F. S. U.; Claire Lee Purdy, Public Works and Unemployed Union; Eugene J. Reed, Abundance League; Harry Jones, Utopian Society; representative of the Conference for Labor's Civil Rights; spokesman for Maritime Federation of the Pacific; representative of Los Angeles League Against Yellow Journalism. Chairman: Dr. J. C. Coleman, executive secretary of F.S.U.

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Spartacus Club to Fight Deportation of Greek Workers

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—The Spartacus Club at 265 W. 25th Street is setting up a Dan Agalos Paul George Defense Committee. These two workers, both of Greek nationality, are now in Ellis Island held for deportation because of Union activity. George is a food worker, while Agalos is a railroad worker from Spokane.

The American Committee for the protection of Foreign Born is organizing the defense in both cases. Plans will be laid at this meeting for a reception upon their release from Ellis Island.

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Subject:
'Proletarian Fraternalism, Social Insurance'

THE RETURN OF THE RUGGED INDIVIDUALIST

By STEPHEN PEACOCK

With one hand in his crotch and the other tightly grasping the seat of his pants, the sage of Palo Alto, the clown prince of rugged individualism has cast his homely, into the ring and is striving manfully to boost his individual career as a Republican elephant.

It was altogether fitting that Herbert Hoover fired his opening campaign gun at Grass Valley, where he got his start as the Great Engineer, who, as a mid-western farmer once remarked, was able to help drain and ditch the country in four years.

*** The Self-Made Man.**

If all successful men who take credit for freedom of birth, opportunity and environment, Hoover was self-made long before he was born. He had his class carefully worked out. He sent a radio message to the General public via the Free National Broadcasting Corp. "I hereby certify that I, Herbert, am going to be a big, bold, rugged man, a Great Engineer. I will engineer shares of a mining stock in Australia, China, Burma and Siberia, and put down revolutions in Europe and put a pot of gold at the end of every workman's rainbow when I become president. If he gets the pot minus the gold, it will be because he snuffed the opportunity."

After a few detailed instructions to his parents concerning his upbringing, Herbert shouted: "Stand by, folks. Here I come—and watch my smoke."

*** The Individualist As a Boy.**

Those kindly qualities which endeared Hoover in the hearts of the Bonus Marchers whom he cussed out of Washington, cropped out early in his life. In "Mirrors of 1932" we read: "He (Hoover) was not a 'swimming hole kid', but an 'embittered, Quaker orphan, silent, sullen, secretive, he had no playmates and he suppressed the hunger for them."

A speech by Senator Stanford, named up these virtues that had been preached to Bert Hoover since his earliest infancy. "Re-

member," "I the Senator in addressing students at Stanford University where Hoover was attending, "Upon the individual efforts of each of you depends your future. . . . All we can do is to place the opportunity within your reach. . . . It rests with you to grasp it and improve it. . . . Remember that life is above all practical. . . . And Hoover, with a low, glad cry, grasped it and improved it. Out of course that was 1895 and not 1935. The path of college students today leads not to banks and cash but to tanks and gas.

Hoover always bragged about being a self-made man of his individualism. The only time he ever disguised it was when in Australia at the age of 23 he grew whiskers to make him look older so he could better grab jobs from older engineers.

*** "Ideal of American Individualism."**

"The firm and fixed ideal of American individualism is 'equality of opportunity.' And of course, patriotism. Hoover has said these things so many times he very likely believes them himself rhetorically. But he always remembered that 'life is above all practical.' And he had plenty of practice at demonstrating it."

His first exhibition of patriotism was exhibited when he left college and had the choice of serving his country in the U. S. Geologic Survey at \$1200 per year, and a job of \$200 per year as a mining engineer. He used Aryan Mathematics to solve this problem in a patriotic way: "U. S. Gov't, \$1200; mining job, \$2000; difference \$800. You can supply the answer."

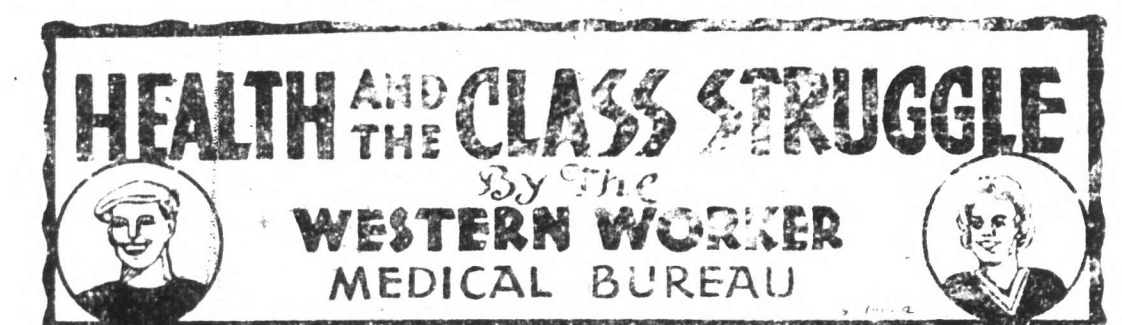
*** On Sharing the Wealth.**

Hoover, in his "American Individualism" had the foresight and vision to denounce in 1922 the "Share the Wealth" programs of today. Said Herbert:

"To all practical souls there is little use in quarreling over the share of each of us until we have something to divide. So long as we maintain our individualism we will have increasing quantities to share and we shall have time and leisure and taxes with which to fight out proper sharing of the surplus."

He also proved how we were all becoming capitalists. For fifty bucks we could become a partner to J. P. Morgan. "The number of persons in partnership through division of ownership among many stockholders is steadily increasing—thus, 100,000 or 200,000 partners in a single concern are not uncommon."

In his latest speeches Hoover politely overlooks the fact that the "capitalist proletarian" stock-



By FRANKLIN E. BISSELL, M. D.

MEDICAL STRIKE RELIEF

With the looming of new strike struggles and many strikes now in progress it is important for workers to know how to organize medical strike relief. During strikes the bosses use even the privilege of medical care as a strike-breaking weapon. An illustration of this is the fact that the Tulare County Hospital refused medical attention to seriously wounded cotton strikers in 1933, unless they would promise to scab.

For this reason, it is important that the strikers have their own doctors. In localities where there is no Workers' International Relief Branch a medical division should be organized. This should consist of all doctors, dentists, and pharmacists, who are sympathetic to the labor movement, drawn from into the organization if possible, but at least have their names listed in case of strikes.

These firms send thousands of samples to doctors, who are glad to get rid of them. Members should be sent to collect these and lay up a supply.

Such a group was organized in Oakland last year to render aid to striking housewives. It would have been of tremendous help during the cotton strike of 1933 if it had been organized at that time.

As it was, Com. X—a male nurse—did very fine work in the strike, often in constant contact with an organization to help him. He used a rent as a hospital and held regular clinic hours, during which he gave out what medicine he had. He saved many lives. There was a really much sick in the camp.

When a strike breaks out, an emergency should be made to draw in any family physicians, whom individual doctors have had attending in the past. If it is explained that the strikers are fighting for better wages, so that they can pay their bills, many physicians will cooperate. All this can be done by the strike committee or relief committee in case there has been no organization already set up.

August 17, 1935

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Gentlemen of the Medical Profession: I am in a quandary. I would like to know if a woman beyond middle age that has a very vile temper and shocking "nerving" propensities, argument-insulting and threatening, — as such a lady be considered sane? If possible reply in our Western Worker; it does seem to me all so very unnatural.

Yours sincerely,

ANS: If all ladies who act above toward their husbands, and all husbands who act so toward their wives were locked up in in-

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Hail Dimitroff and the New E. C. of the Comintern!

Greetings to George Dimitroff, newly elected General Secretary of the Executive Committee of the Communist International (E.C.C.I.)!

Greetings to the leading comrades of the German, French, British, Chinese, Japanese, Italian, Polish, American and other Communist Parties who form the newly elected Executive Committee, and who unanimously elected Dimitroff to his new post at the first plenary session of the E.C.C.I.

There could be no finer choice.

Faced with death by the henchman of barbarous German fascism, he boldly defied its most bestial spokesman, Goering, and won such respect from the capitalist newspapermen attending the Reichstag "incendiary" trial that they could not keep their admiration out of their despatches. By his fight for freedom and indictment of fascism he struck the first great blow at fascism the world over by rallying all anti-fascist forces to action.

His brilliance equals his courage.

His speech before the Seventh World Congress of the Comintern on the question of the worldwide fight against fascism, reprinted in the Daily Worker last Saturday, is a masterpiece of clarity and should be read by every Communist Party member.

George Dimitroff is a worthy spokesman for world communism.

His deeds are worthy of emulation by all communists.

Vigilante Force and Violence

The wealthy growers and bankers of Sonoma County are pleading for 1500 men to pick their hop crops. Half their apple crops rotted unpicked when the regular harvest hands refused to work for starvation wages. When they tried to organize and demand fair pay, the employers attacked them with clubs and guns and the authorities helped them out. Now authorities are cooperating with them by trying to force the unemployed to accept this slave labor or be thrown off relief rolls. A similar situation prevails in other states in the union.

They expect pickers to work under the surveillance of armed guards like convict labor. All the agricultural fields of California have been patrolled by "special deputies" this year. Every effort of the "slaves" to organize and demand decent conditions is beaten down by a club. The only law functioning in the harvest fields is the arbitrary will of the employing owners backed up by raw violence, sometimes by gangsters, sometimes by police, sometimes by the two working hand in hand.

The growers exercise their fascist dictatorship under the guise of suppressing Communism. Well, is IS Communism they are suppressing. But they are careful to avoid stating that Communism means the organization of the working class to demand a voice in their own affairs. Any attack against a union is an attack against Communism, truly enough.

The recent Santa Rosa tar-and-feather incident was the most spectacular but by no means the most corrupt of the Sonoma attacks. But it was enough to bring a momentary realization of what is going on to wide sections of the populace and raise a storm of protest that is embarrassing public officials and temporarily restraining the employers. It will blow over unless more concrete organizational lessons are learned from the affair.

Vigilantism has reigned unopposed throughout California for years. Many unarmed workers have been murdered in cold blood by the armed forces of the growers. The Santa Rosa affair is no isolated and separate thing we are dealing with. There have been previous "storms of protest" and they have done no more than temporarily hamper the California Czars.

You cannot stop a mad dog running wild in the streets by voicing your disapproval. There are only two ways of stamping out vigilantism and we might as well face them squarely.

One way or another they have to be stopped by FORCE. This force must come from the workers or from the government.

The workers have a right to arm themselves and defend themselves from each gangster attack. But, at the present time, if they did so, they would also be attacked by the police and the National Guard. They would be described as "reds" and the whole thing called a "Communist uprising."

Many times, workers have successfully beaten off vigilante attacks. But whenever the workers begin to get the upper hand, the police intervene and arrest them. The vigilantes are always allowed to go unchallenged. The wealthy employers control the state and national governments as fully as they control their vigilante gangs.

The only way that force from the government can be brought to bear is for the working class and all sympathetic elements to go behind the formation of a LABOR PARTY. Through this political machinery, the workers can place their own men in office. This is the most practical step toward suppressing vigilantism. In plain words, it means booting out the corrupt officials now in office and replacing them with working class representatives.

Other than this, there is no course but for the workers to defend themselves by force and for organized labor and fraternal groups to back them up to the utmost. Something like this happened during the General Strike. The Waterfront Em-

ployers set out to smash the unions by armed force and the government loaned them the police force and the army for the purpose. The whole of San Francisco had to walk out on strike to stop them.

Protest the Santa Rosa affair to Governor Merriam and Attorney General U. S. Webb at Sacramento and to District Attorney Cowan at Santa Rosa. This does some good. But prepare to stamp out vigilantism permanently. Build the Labor Party. Strengthen your own organization or union. Join the Communist Party and prepare to end capitalism and all its bestial products.

The employer is facing you with a club. You cannot fight him off with an opinion. Your opinion—your protest restrains him temporarily because he is afraid that opinion will develop into action. And that is exactly what it must do.

Will America Break With the U.S.S.R.?

Such a possibility looms in the future. But not right now.

The current newspaper propaganda contending that the speeches at the World Congress of the Communist International revealed interference of the Soviet Union in internal U. S. affairs, is sheer pretense.

No one in Washington believes it and no one on the newspapers believes it, but they would like to scare the public with the idea.

There is a Communist Party in the U.S.S.R. There is a Communist Party in the United States. There are Communist Parties in every country, and delegates from all these parties met in Moscow to discuss the world crisis which effects all alike. But all these Communist Parties are political movements native to their own countries.

The United States was the first country to establish a representative form of government. Later, the same economic forces which demanded this change of government manifested themselves in all European nations. When the shopowners, factory owners and industrialists of England and France began agitating for a representative form of government, did those monarchies send vicious protests to the United States demanding that this un-French or un-British agitation cease and that this nation cease injecting American ideas into foreign lands?

In the U.S.S.R. a new social order has been established competent to meet the needs of the modern world. Democracy there exists not alone in a political sense, but in the factories, fields and all industries. Private ownership of the means of production has been abolished. The need for this new social order was dictated by economic forces which are at work in every capitalist nation. And the workers in every capitalist nation are organizing and agitating for a similar social order in their own countries.

The United States government at the present time is fully aware of all these facts. But the United States government is controlled by the industrial Czars who are eager to preserve their absolute powers. Therefore, they take every opportunity to discredit and slander the U.S.S.R. and to seek to make the public believe that the revolutionary movement in America is the plotting of a foreign government. Hence all this ridiculous pretense and artificial indignation.

When we ask "Will America break off relations with the U.S.S.R.?" we must also ask "Which America?" America today is a nation divided. The working class and the employing class have directly opposing interests. If the American government remains wholly in the control of the owners, it will eventually break off relations and more than that support every aggressive move against the U.S.S.R. The U.S.S.R. is a land entirely in control of the working class. Such a country is a direct threat to the capitalist system which enables these owners to be little Caesars.

If the working class, through the formation of a United Front Labor Party, gains some voice in the American government, relations with the U. S. S. R. will not be broken off. They will be made all the firmer.

Demand Parole for Charles Krumbein

As we go to press, news has just arrived indicating that the Parole Board meeting at Lewisburg, Pa., would consider the question of paroling Charles Krumbein, imprisoned because of a technical violation of the passport regulation. He has already been in jail for six months, and is now eligible for parole.

A similar case, that of Thomas Walker, Hearst liar, forger, and general law violator, was closed with a suspended sentence, due no doubt to "Dirty Willie's" venal influence.

Make the voice of the workers eloquent on behalf of Krumbein, who must be returned to his place in the revolutionary movement.

Even though the Board hearing may have already ended, protests never come too late.

Wire or air-mail at once to U. S. Board of Parole, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C., urging immediate parole.

"Labor is prior to and independent of capital. Capital is only the fruit of labor, could never have existed if labor had not first existed. Labor is the superior of capital, and deserves much the higher consideration."—ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

"The freest government cannot long endure when the tendency of the law is to create a rapid accumulation of property in the hands of a few, and to render the masses poor and dependent."—DANIEL WEBSTER.

NOTE: The WESTERN WORKER Educational Department wants pertinent quotations from Marxist-Leninist classics and other informative works of general interest to our readers. We also intend reopening the Questions and Answers columns, and ask that all questions, on theory and fact, history and organization, be addressed to Questions and Answers Department, Western Worker, 121 Haight street, San Francisco.

OPEN FORUM

IT'S BEEN TRIED BEFORE

San Francisco
Citizen's Committee,
Santa Rosa

Tar and Feathers, Gas and Guns, Jails and Dungeons, Scaffoldings and Executioners Blocks. But it will not avail you. The relentless struggle of the working masses will fight on despite all your tortures.

REMEMBER THE RUSSIAN CZARS TRIED THIS METHOD ALSO.

Kiss the flag—Americanism—what cowardly swine you are—300 armed to the teeth against 2 unarmed workers.

The day is near, nearer than you suspect, when you will stand before the workers' court. We shall see how brave you are then.

Such fascist beasts as you will go the way of your fellow fascists across the seas. It's your day now, but another day will come.

You cannot scare the working class. The Communists will lead them to victory.

J. R.

ONE MAN CAR MEANS ONE MAN STARVES

Dear Editor:

When are you going to get busy and start a real campaign against these damned one man cars which are turning up all over the city now? It's up to you to start it because it is a cinch Vandellur and his crowd don't intend to do anything about it.

It is also time somebody woke up the carmen to a little working class pride. The real initiative should come from them and their first step would be to bring rank and file pressure against the betrayers they have heading their unions. Personally, I am a union man. If the carmen are willing to eat dirt and operate these junk wagons, I can say that the majority of the men in my union have too much self-respect and union pride to ride on them. One man cars are a disgrace and a humiliation to organized labor.

I know for a fact that the nervous strain of operating such hellish devices turns the carmen into mental freaks. And they are so slow that if you want to visit someone on the other side of town, you have to bring your lunch and prepare for a days journey. As for safety, I would just as soon ride the handbars of a maniac's motorcycle.

Every time I see a one man car I get sick to my stomach.

A TEAMSTER.

BOYCOTT HEARST NEWSPAPERS!

PHYSIOLOGICAL CONGRESS SEES SOVIET SCIENCE

METHODS OF INCREASING CROP YIELD REVEALED

LENINGRAD, Aug. 26.—Eight hundred and fifty delegates from thirty-seven countries were given a chance to see the scientific progress of the Soviet Union at the Fifteenth International Physiological Congress held here. More than 1,200 delegates were present. For the convenience of the delegates, each was provided with car phones and a switchboard, which allowed him to listen to the speaker or listen to translations in French, German, Russian, or English, as he chose.

* Famous Host.

Especially honored was the eighty-six year old world renowned Soviet scientist, Ivan Pavlov, who acted as host to the Congress.

The progress of physiological research work in the Soviet Union astonished foreign delegates, even those familiar with accomplishments of the Soviets in science. Today there are 380 centers of physiological research, with 5,000 workers, against 24, with 500 workers, in 1924.

* Scientific Agriculture.

The sensation of the technical sessions was the declaration by Prof. Vavilov, Director of the Leningrad Institute of Plant Industry, that scientific agriculture could support ten times the earth's population. One method of doing this is the use of a method of seed treatment developed by the Institute, known as "vernalization," by which seeds are germinated and placed in cold storage for a month. When planted, they mature earlier than usual.

This method is not merely experimental, but has been used on a large scale by collective farms in the Volga districts, and has resulted in increasing the yield greatly, and avoiding the effects of drought. It has also enabled the Soviets to increase tenfold the cultivated land in the far north.

Effective organization of unemployed will aid in maintaining union scales of pay. Demand that your union officials support such work.

Dimitroff, New Comintern Secretary



How Wages Increase In Soviet Water, Transport

Pay and Production Go Up Together In Russia

Just what are the wages and working conditions of the longshoremen, seamen, bargeemen—all water transport workers—in the Soviet Union? In the days of the last Russian Czar the longshoremen received between 1.13 rubles and 1.80 rubles for 13 to 15 hours a day. In those days the ruble was worth around 77 cents. And out of their wages they had to pay the contractor his share for condescending to let them work on his gang.

The women who worked on the docks received less than one-third as much as men, and the boys of 10 to 14 years got from 20 to 30 kopecks a day. There are 100 kopecks to the ruble.

That was all they got. If they fell sick, lost their jobs or wanted a vacation it was their look-out.

They got rid of the Czar and the capitalist system in 1917, and today they receive 6.2 rubles for a 7 to 8 hour day. The ruble has fallen somewhat in value, being about equal to 52 cents. But even at that the amount of wages is greater and the day is shorter. Children don't work on the docks at all, and women who choose to work there get equal pay with the men.

* Health Treatment Free.

But that isn't all they get. Hospital treatment is absolutely free. Vacations are annual with pay. And the cost of living goes down every year: prices of food, clothing, shelter, are steadily cut. The Second Five Year Plan provides for immense building appropriations, and housing projects run into the millions of rubles. The appropriations for labor protection and safety devices on the job, in marine transport increased from 3,300,000 rubles in 1933 to 4,600,000 rubles in 1934.

The increase in the longshoreman's wages has gone on steadily in Russia ever since the Revolution. In 1924 he received 2.3 rubles a day. Four years later, in 1928, the Soviet Republic had made enough progress in its program of development that the longshoreman was getting from 3.2 to 3.9 rubles a day. A year later it was 4 rubles. In 1932 there was another increase to an average of 5.4 rubles.

* Workers run things.

Today the lowest wage on the docks is 6.2 rubles.

The longshoremen run the docks.

And the seamen run the ships. In 1930 the Soviet Seamen's wages averaged 128.67 rubles a month. In 1931 the pay went up to 165.58 rubles; in 1932 they were increased to 209.58; in 1933 222.62 was the monthly pay and in 1934 it again rose to 297.77. These are all averages.

The crew of a ship in the Baltic "Sovtorflot" in 1934 got paid as follows: Captain 607 rubles; Chief Mechanic 492; First Mate 401; Second Mate 339.75; Third Mate 293; Second Mechanic 367; 1st class Machinist 168; 1st class Fireman 162.25; A. B. Seaman 115.

And the downward going cost of living benefits them as well as any other group of workers in Russia. The vacation with pay, free medical care, and all the other social benefits measurably increase their standard of living.

* Bargeemen's Pay.

The average pay of the river transport workers of Russia, river

bargeemen, etc., was at 128.67 rubles in 1930. The increases from year to year were as follows: 1931 165.58; 1932 209.58; 1933 222.62; 1934 297.77.

The trade unions in Soviet Russia are the strongest in the world, with the large majority of the workers organized. On July 1st, 1934, 84 per cent of the workers in marine transport—seamen, longshoremen, etc., were organized in the Marine Transport Workers' Union. On the rivers and inland waterways, on January 1st, 1934, 82.8 per cent of the workers were organized in the River Transport Workers' Union.

These trade union bodies, under complete democratic control of the membership, watch out for the wages and job conditions. They administer social insurance funds totaling hundreds of millions of rubles. They keep up a constant campaign for cleanliness on ship board, for improvement of means and methods of work. They watch out that wages are not miscalculated, take care that housing goes forward properly. They organize the struggle for fulfillment of the Second Five Year Plan; a very practical task, for when it is complete Russia will have more goods, more wages, better working conditions, more leisure, more of everything.

* How It Is Done.

If you wonder how wages can be increased so fast, you must remember that Russia is a gigantic co-operative venture. There are no shipowners, bankers, or other bosses to skim their profits from the nation's production. This almost automatically tends to spread what there is around among the people.

Most of the Workers Are Organized in Trade Unions

Secondly,—Russia has built more and more industries to produce what they did not have before. So naturally they have more goods all the time. And the increase in production is reflected in the increase in wages, and NOT in an accumulation of millions and "profits."

To illustrate: Russia's river boats, barges, and other inland waterway traffic in 1930 was 36 1/2 million tons.

And the average pay of the river transport worker in 1930 was 128.67 rubles a month. River transport traffic increased, year by year, until in 1934 it was 57 and one tenth million tons. Average monthly wages that year on the rivers was 297.77 rubles.

* All Industries.

And it's a good idea to remember that the increase in the production of coal, oil, tar, lumber, shoes, leather, cheese,—or what have you?—brought similar increase in wages in those industries.

Obviously such a tremendous industrial machine operated for the benefit of those who do the work, has to be carefully planned and watched as it goes to see that it keeps in running order. That it does work, and very successfully, can't be doubted. There is no unemployment in the Soviet Union. Crime is on the decrease. The population is increasing. There are no strikes. There are no lock-outs.

The workers run the whole shebang.

SOVIET TRADE UNIONS DISPOSE OF RECORD INSURANCE FUNDS

Huge Sum Gives Security to All Workers In Socialist State—All Funds Are Furnished By the Government

The following table shows the appropriations for social insurance in the Soviet Union for 1935. This sum of money, which is disposed of entirely by the trade unions, has never been equalled in history, and shows the security which is enjoyed by the workers of a socialist state. The absence of any provision for unemployment insurance is explained by the fact that there are jobs for everyone in the Soviet Union. All funds are furnished by the state without contributions from the workers.

EXPENSE ITEMS ARE DIVIDED AS FOLLOWS:

	Rubles
1. Relief and pensions	2,017,340,000
This includes relief in cases of temporary disablement, care during pregnancy and childbirth, and burial.	
2. Medical care for insured persons	1,502,800,000
3. Services to children whose parents are insured	484,600,000
This includes relief money for care and nutrition of infants, milk dispensing kitchens, nurseries, kindergartens homes for children, relief to the needy, additional nutrition for school children and pupils of factory schools, pioneer camps and children's sanatoria.	
4. Rest homes and sanatoria and health resorts	403,750,000
5. Dietetic nutrition	110,000,000
6. Education	154,550,000
This includes scholarships for workmen students, scientific institutes for labor and social insurance, and mass cultural work.	
7. Capital investments	1,140,860,000
This includes construction of workers' houses, hospitals, nurseries, rest homes, health resorts, tourist bases, asylums for invalids, parks, and physical culture institutions.	
8. Labor inspection	42,000,000
9. Administrative expenses	46,400,000
TOTAL	5,902,300,000

World Events

By Emmett Kirby

U. S. Neutrality Bill Gives Aid to Mussolini

As predicted here last issue the House of Representatives took the neutrality resolution from the hands of the Senate and altered it before passing it back.

And the Senate, admitting the whole move was only "a gesture toward peace," passed it in its unamended form 77 to 2.

Thus the opportunity for making a real move for peace, by boycotting the aggressor as well as the victim, was muffled—deliberately so. The bill as now reading calls only for an embargo on munitions until Feb. 29, 1936.

Italy has enough munitions and factories to keep her going for that period. Ethiopia has none and the ban is unquestionably a boycott of the victim of the expected attack.

Italy lacks sufficient raw materials from which munitions can be made. But nothing in the bill, as reported in the press, is said about banning them. Nor was a mandatory embargo put on loans which Italy needs and expects from Wall Street with which to finance purchase of those materials and other expenses necessary to war.

* Only Gesture.

A second thought shows that the bill does practically nothing really, to aid peace. Its effect to the nations to the rest of the world is not one of disapproval of war so much as a proposal to keep hands off and let Italy go ahead with her rape of Ethiopia, the while supplying her with funds to do so.

The situation thus sponsored by Congress is ideal for Wall Street. It permits them to go ahead with opportunity for profits through loans, sale of raw materials and machinery for the making of munitions in Italy.

* Munitions Machines O. K.

Already the United Press reports that the R. K. Le Blond Machine Tool Co. of Cincinnati has started rushing through completion of an order from the Fiat Automobile Co. of Italy for twenty-eight expensive lathes to be used for boring in making shells and munitions.

Others will follow through this one of the many loopholes left by the neutrality resolution.

And when the six months pass things will have taken such definite shape that it will be extremely difficult to get the embargo extended, either in time or scope.

Knowing full well that a prolonged war will bring disaster for Mussolini at home, and that six months is about as much as the Italian fascists could hang on if Ethiopia is not beaten in what time, Wall Street which has previously been generous in its loans to the Black-shirt dictatorship, is no doubt today greeting the six months clause that the House put through with satisfied smiles. Their hands are not tied at all and they will be free when it Duce and the money they have loaned need farther aid most.

* Britain Moves.

And this eventuality now seems more likely than ever. Britain, fearing the possibility of a strong rival in Africa, is reported rallying her fleet for Mediterranean service, notably to guard the Suez Canal and close it to Italian troop movements. This is contrary to the treaty under which the Canal was originally built, but Britain expects to get the sanction from the League of Nations and, more or less reluctantly, from France for this action.

Back of their decision to break with Italy over imperialist interests in Africa is the need to keep the League of Nations together as a possible bulwark against the threat of attack from Hitler which remains stamped deeply in the back of the minds of Britain's foreign office officials. This factor, too, is not without influence in keeping France in line with Britain at the expense of the recently accomplished friendship with Italy.

The dynamite in this situation can only too readily explode into a world war. Not the least important factor looming in the background to prevent it is the Soviet Union. At the meeting of the Assembly of the League of Nations at Geneva the speech of Comrade Litvinoff for the USSR will unquestionably sound the note on which peace can be maintained. And it will have its weight, not only in the strength and position of the Soviet Union in a world stare, but also in the support it will rouse from the working classes of the world.